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Ronald Reagan,
President of the United States
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SECTION I

INVESTIGATION CONCERNING
CRIME SCENE - WASHINGTON HILTON HOTEL

A Synopsis of Crime Scene
Washington Hilton Hotel

The attempted assassination of the President of the United States took place on March 30, 1981, at approximately 2:25 p.m., outside the VIP entrance of the Washington Hilton Hotel, Connecticut and T Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. There were approximately 285 people that were present at the scene of the crime, either viewing it from a window across the street or in the immediate area of the Presidential Party. Of these 285 interviewed, there were 29 that actually witnessed an individual fire the weapon at the President or saw the weapon in the hands of that same individual but some would not be able to identify him.

The key eyewitnesses were :

(b)(7)(c): (D)
[redacted] civilian, interviewed after shooting, advised he saw assailant draw revolver from pocket and fire twice, then [redacted] hit assailant on back of neck and heard a third shot. [redacted] described assailant, however, interview terminated due to [redacted] suffering from severe stress, and he was taken to hospital by D.C. Paramedics.

[redacted] was videotaping (b)(7)(c): (D)
President's departure from hotel, when he heard four-five shots close to him. [redacted] saw White House Press Secretary and police officer fall to ground and then lowered his camera and saw several men grab assailant to his right as assailant fired one more shot.

(b)(7)(c): (D)
[redacted] said
assailant brushed against him when assailant moved in front of him. [redacted] then observed assailant bend over in semi-crouched position rapidly firing a blue revolver.

(b)(7)(c): (D)
[redacted] heard five shots, looked to his left and saw Metropolitan Police Department Sergeant grab arm of individual who was in a crouched position near the wall. Individual had arm extended with short barreled revolver in his hand.

[redacted] was videotaping President's departure from hotel when he heard two quick pops. He saw assailant in a crouched position with both hands wrapped around a revolver. [redacted] later positively identified Hinckley from a photo spread.

(b)(7)(c)(D)

[redacted] civilian, saw assailant with black handgun move toward President and heard four-six shots. [redacted] saw police officer almost immediately grab assailant, however, man kept firing weapon. [redacted] would be able to identify assailant.

(b)(7)(c)(D)

[redacted] heard pop of handgun and saw assailant in combat position firing handgun. [redacted] rushed assailant, grabbed him by shoulder and pushed him to ground.

(b)(7)(c)(D)

[redacted] civilian, observed assailant lurch forward with arm extended holding a gun and shoot at the President.

(b)(7)(c)(D)

[redacted] civilian, observed assailant step forward and lean toward President with what she believed to be a camera in his hands, but immediately saw muzzle flashes and knew it was a gun which assailant was firing at the President. [redacted] described assailant's clothing, but did not see his face.

(b)(7)(c)(D)

[redacted] United States Secret Service (USSS), was observing crowd at Hilton when he heard a "pop" like a firecracker followed by four-five other "pops". [redacted] turned left towards the sound and observed assailant with handgun held in both hands. [redacted] rushed assailant, who was in a crouched position and wrestled him to ground. [redacted] stayed with Hinckley until he was turned over to FBI custody.

(b)(7)(c)(F)

[redacted] civilian, heard five shots and helped [redacted] wrestle with assailant after shooting. [redacted] did not get good look at assailant.

(b)(7)(c)(D)

[redacted] civilian, heard noise and looked into crowd and saw assailant with gun in hand and observed fire coming from gun barrel.

(b)(7)(c)(D)

(b)(7)(C)(D)
[redacted] civilian, was standing in lobby when she saw the President exit hotel and heard several shots and saw flashes from press line. She saw assailant with gun in hand, and when crowd backed away, she clearly saw assailant's face and clothing. She later picked Hinckley from a photo spread.

(b)(7)(C)(D)
[redacted] was taking pictures, when he heard shots fired he then lowered his camera and looked directly at subject and saw assailant shooting at President. [redacted] does not believe from own personal observation could identify assailant.

(b)(7)(C)(F)
[redacted] USSS, heard five shots from press section, and saw group of people holding assailant down. Assailant still had revolver in hand. [redacted] escorted subject to D.C. Cellblock.

(b)(7)(C)(D)
[redacted] civilian, who was standing on ledge across street, noticed an individual work his way through the crowd toward President and then heard shots. He observed this same individual with a revolver in his right hand being wrestled to the ground. [redacted] identified Hinckley from photo spread.

(b)(7)(C)(D)
[redacted] student traveling with school group, saw individual move toward and pull out policeman-type gun, and shoot from hip level. [redacted] would not be able to identify gunman.

(b)(7)(C)(D)
[redacted] heard first shot, fell to one knee and looked into crowd and saw assailant fire pistol in direction of President. [redacted] charged assailant and helped apprehend him. [redacted] drove Metropolitan Police Department car with assailant to Metropolitan Police Department Cellblock.

The crime scene was secured and photographed by Metropolitan Police Department Crime Scene Technicians prior to a heavy downpour that occurred at approximately 3:00 p.m. Crime scene was thereafter processed and photographed by FBI Agents and the following significant evidence recovered:

- 1.) .22 caliber revolver, model RG 14, serial number L 731332, with six spent cartridges, which was turned over to FBI by SA [redacted]

(b)(7)(C)(F)

USSS. Revolver was photographed at scene and handcarried to FBI Laboratory.

- 2.) Bullet fragment from window of Universal Building located across street from Hilton Hotel.

Recovered from the Presidential Limousine was the right rear quarter panel with bullet damage and the right rear window with bullet damage.

The shooting was reenacted, videotaped and photographed using law enforcement witnesses to determine trajectory of bullets and movement of Presidential Party.

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[REDACTED] 1
[REDACTED] was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and provided the following information: (b)(7)(C)(D)

[REDACTED] advised he was in Washington attending a Building and Construction Trades Department, AFL-CIO 1981 National Conference. (b)(7)(C)

However, due to inclement weather, his plans were altered. Subsequently, [REDACTED] proceeded back to the Washington Hilton to hear President Reagan's speech. Arriving at the Hilton he proceeded downstairs and was advised by Secret Service that the President was on the podium about to speak. As a result no one was allowed to enter. [REDACTED] then decided to go outside and see the President after his speech. [REDACTED] walked out to the roped area and approximately a couple of minutes elapsed when the President arrived outdoors. [REDACTED] stated that to the right of him was a woman whom he described as wearing a brown sweater, heavy set, and possibly wearing glasses. [REDACTED] remembered a man pushing his way in front of her yelling "Press, Press." [REDACTED] told her "Don't let that man pass you, you've been waiting to see the President like everyone else." [REDACTED] further advised that to the left of him was a black male, holding an umbrella. Further description could not be recalled by [REDACTED]. Directly in front of [REDACTED] was an individual (hereafter referred to as assailant) standing in a brown trench coat with both hands in the pockets of the trench coat. [REDACTED] described the assailant as a male, 5'9", brown hair, medium build. [REDACTED] did not know the race of the assailant but did state he was not black.

When the President came outdoors, he recalled camera-men yelling "Mr. President! Mr. President!" As the President approached the car, maybe a few steps away he recalled the assailant yell, "Mr. President! Mr. President!" and then proceeded to pull out his hands from his pockets and point.

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volver aiming it in a high fashion. He described the revolver as a .22 or .32 caliber, blue in color, with a long barrel.

██████████ stated the assailant was approximately 15 feet from the resident when he saw two blue flames exit the barrel. At the time ██████████ hit the assailant on the back of the neck in an effort to push him. As he hit the assailant he heard another shot. ██████████ could not determine whether the third shot came from the assailant's weapon or not. (b)(7)(c)(d)

After the third shot, ██████████ observed two individuals running towards him and the assailant. The two individuals were on top of the assailant and then ██████████ noticed additional officers/Secret Service piling on top. ██████████ was told to get out the way but could not due to the fact his foot was tangled in the pile of men. His boss then made an effort to come to his aid swinging his arms and saying, "I'll help you out." ██████████ further stated he observed another individual running in his direction with handcuffs and he, ██████████ yelled "Kill the son of a bitch." It was subsequent to that, he was hit in the mouth by an officer's elbow. (b)(7)(c)(d)

When ██████████ finally managed to get out, he was instructed by the Secret Service to step back and remain put. It was then that he noticed one individual face down bleeding profusely from the head and another individual to the left also bleeding. (b)(7)(c)(d)

The interview of ██████████ was temporarily concluded due to his severe stress, on the advice of firefighters, ██████████ and ██████████, Washington, D.C. (b)(7)(c)(d)

██████████ pulse was taken, he was administered oxygen and taken to Georgetown University Hospital, accompanied by Special Agent (SA) ██████████. SA ██████████ did not accompany ██████████ to the hospital and hence did not participate further in the interview. (b)(7)(c)(d)

██████████ stated that he observed two blue flames exiting the barrel but was unaware of where the third shot originated from. (b)(7)(c)(d)

██████████ could furnish no further information at this point.

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[redacted] advised that he lives at [redacted]. His home telephone number is [redacted] and [redacted] works at [redacted] and [redacted] advised that his telephone number is [redacted]. He was on his way from lunch at about 2:20 p.m., when he saw the police in the street. He had heard that the President would be at the Hilton Hotel on this day. Expecting to get a glimpse of the President, [redacted] stood in the crowd of onlookers about fifteen feet from the barrier ropes. He heard four shots. [redacted] believed it to be about 2:30 p.m. [redacted] saw a white male, in a tan coat, fire a gun once, maybe twice in the direction of the President. The man held the gun in his right outstretched hand. The crowd was told to move back and in the confusion, he lost his umbrella. [redacted] stated that the man he saw doing the shooting was vigorously resisting the police and Agents. (b)(7)(C)(D)

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[redacted] residence telephone number area code [redacted]
[redacted] was interviewed regarding his knowledge of the assault on
the President of the United States and provided the following
information:

[redacted] and earlier in the
afternoon he was filming President Reagan as he exited the
T Street door of the Washington Hilton Hotel.

[redacted] advised that he was located behind the
rope at the press line in front of the T Street door of the
hotel and was observing President Reagan through the
lens of his camera when he heard 4 or 5 gunshots close to him.
(Brown) observed the White House Press Secretary fall to the
ground and a police officer fall to the ground as he was
attempting to draw his revolver, at that point [redacted] lowered
his camera and observed several men grab a man to his right
at the press line as the man fired one more shot.

[redacted] stated that the man who had done the shooting
was positioned no more than three feet from him. [redacted]
also stated the men who were shot were approximately three
or four feet from the man who had done the shooting.

[redacted] advised that a white male with blond hair
was then wrestled to the ground.

[redacted] added that a National Broadcasting Company
(NBC) Cameraman named [redacted] (LNU) was also standing very
close to the individual who had done the shooting and may
also have witnessed it take place.

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On April 9, 1981, [REDACTED] (b)(7)(C) (D)

[REDACTED] was interviewed by SA's [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] at his residence, [REDACTED] and advised as follows:

[REDACTED] (b)(7)(C) (D)

[REDACTED] (b)(7)(C) (D)

[REDACTED] They arrived at the Hilton Hotel, early, at approximately 12:15 or 12:30 p.m. They first went into the ballroom to make their official presence known to security people such as the United States Secret Service (USSS). They then went to the main hotel lobby to pass time. They then went back into the ballroom for approximately fifteen minutes to discuss technical preparations and returned to the lobby for another fifteen minute waiting period, wherein they talked with correspondents and engineers. There were people constantly coming and going and there appeared to be nothing unusual or suspicious going on.

[REDACTED] met hotel guests "Rita" and her husband who were from out of town and they accompanied [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] to observe the President's arrival. [REDACTED] did not know where "Rita" and her husband went subsequently. (b)(7)(C) (D)

As President Reagan arrived, [REDACTED] was aware of the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] then went to an area designated for the press and waited for approximately five or ten minutes [REDACTED] (b)(7)(C) (D)

[REDACTED] when the President came out after his speech. [REDACTED] were about the first to assemble at the rope. He described his position as being at the rope and two or three feet [REDACTED]

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the wall.

██████████ stated that he turned around to look back only once and saw a USSR car, but was not sure of the presence of the individual whom he later saw shooting handgun.

██████████ turned the recording equipment on as President emerged from the VIP door.

██████████ advised that perhaps the gunman had rushed up against him while moving in front of him, and only a split second later his attention was directed to his left on his right and slightly in front of him.

██████████ attention was directed at this individual because from a semi-crouched 'bent over' position, this individual was firing a blue revolver in rapid succession.

██████████ described this individual to have straight, dirty blond hair, trimmed in a 'Glen Campbell' style, wearing a light color (tan), light weight jacket. He did not take notice of trouser or shoe colors. He was able to observe the barrel and cylinder of a revolver which he thought was a .38 calibre, based on the noise level.

██████████ stated that it took from one and a half to two (2) seconds from the start of the shooting to the finish, and because of the rapid succession, in thought he heard four shots.

██████████ stated that his attention was frozen on the gunman's hand and the gun and that he (██████████) could not move or react. Immediately after what he thought was the first shot was fired, there were two people 'on him' and surrounding the assailant. USSR pushed people away in what he thought was an effort to protect the assailant, because angry people were yelling 'kill him' or 'shoot him.' USSR covered the head of the assailant with some cloth material and because more security personnel surrounded the gunman, ██████████ view of the assailant's face was obscured. He had only seen the left rear quadrant of the head portion of the assailant.

██████████ was shown a photo spread consisting of seven caucasian males. He picked photos number two (2) and five (5) as resembling the assailant because of hair color and length, but could not positively identify him.

The photographic spread consisted of the following
individuals:

(b)(7)(C)(F)

1. [REDACTED] United States Secret Service

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2. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau
Investigation, Washington Field Office.

3. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal
Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

4. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau
Investigation, Washington Field Office.

5. John Harbeck Winckley, Jr., Subject.

6. [REDACTED], Special Agent, Federal Bureau
Investigation, Washington Field Office.

7. [REDACTED] Clerk, Federal Bureau
Investigation, Washington Field Office.

The above photographic spread, consisting of
seven (7) white males, was properly initialed and dated, and
filed in the Sub 1-A section of WFO file 175-311.

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[redacted] advised that
his home address is [redacted]
his home phone number is [redacted]
[redacted] work address
is [redacted]

They were standing near the wall by the Executive entrance
of the Washington Hilton Hotel. [redacted] stated that he was
standing beside a white man in a light tan/beige jacket.
[redacted] saw the man in the tan/beige jacket fire about four
shots in the direction of the President. The man was gripping
the gun with both hands. The approximate time was 2:30 p.m.
The man was wrestled to the ground and quickly taken away
by the police.

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While [redacted] was stationed near the security rope, [redacted] approached [redacted] and asked if the President would be coming out soon. [redacted] told him that he did not know and [redacted] returned to his duties inside.

[redacted] advised that the President's driver came out at approximately 1:20 p.m. to start the car, but did not move it. [redacted] said that this is usually a sign that the President will be leaving soon. [redacted] returned his attention to the crowd of spectators and stationed himself at the security rope on the curb side with his back to the Presidential limousine.

[redacted] advised that a few minutes before the President came out, he observed a rustling movement in the crowd. [redacted] moved in that direction until he saw that it was a member of the press putting on his coat. [redacted] returned to his previous position and began instructing people to stay on the sidewalk.

[redacted] advised that he then glanced back and observed Service Agents coming out of the VIP exit. He then returned his attention to the crowd and did not actually see the President emerge. At this time, [redacted] heard three shots, a pause, and then two more shots. [redacted] advised that at first, he believed the shots to be firecrackers. [redacted] turned his head to his left in the direction of the wall in time to observe Metropolitan [redacted] grab the arm of an individual who was in a crouched position near the wall. This individual had an arm [redacted] with a short-barreled revolver in his hand. [redacted] advised that he believes the revolver was in the right hand, [redacted] he could see a profile of the individual's face. Next to [redacted] individual was a man with a camera on his shoulder. [redacted] that the individual he observed with the revolver was [redacted]

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He was in his mid twenties with short brown hair, a straight nose, and was wearing a tan jacket. [redacted] then observed five or six police officers and Secret Service Agents jump on this individual.

At approximately this same time, [redacted] saw two people on the sidewalk close to him and observed a Secret Service Agent grab his stomach and fall. He also saw another Agent trying to open the door to the President's car. [redacted] did not see the incident, but did see someone's back an instant before the car was closed.

[redacted] advised that a short time later, he observed police and Secret Service Agents attempt to put someone into a police car. There was a problem getting the door open so the individual got into a second police vehicle. [redacted] could not see the individual who was put into the car.

[redacted] advised that after a few more minutes, ambulances began to arrive. The injured Secret Service Agent was placed in the first ambulance and was taken from the scene. A second ambulance, which later carried the injured police officer, was blocking the ambulance attempting to leave with an individual. [redacted] later went out to be James Brady. [redacted] advised that he attempted to get this ambulance back around the driveway in front of the T entrance of the hotel only to find the other entrance blocked by police and other official vehicles. By this time, the ambulance carrying the injured police officer was moving and the ambulance with Mr. Brady was able to leave through that exit.

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[redacted] was shown a photo spread containing the following photographs:

1. [redacted] Special Agent, U. S. Secret Service
2. [redacted] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Washington Field Office
3. [redacted] Special Agent, FBI, Washington Field Office
4. [redacted] Special Agent, FBI, Washington Field Office

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5. John Warnock Hinckley, Jr.

6. [REDACTED] Special Agent, FBI, Washington Field Office (b)(7)(C)

7. [REDACTED] Clerk, FBI, Washington Field Office

[REDACTED] advised that he knew photograph number one to be a Secret Service Agent as he had seen him with the Presidential Protection Detail at the Washington Hilton before. He stated that he believed photograph number four to be a Secret Service Agent. [REDACTED] identified photograph number five as Hinckley, only because he had seen Hinckley's photograph on television. [REDACTED] added that he had only seen the subject's profile during the attempted assassination. (b)(7)(C)(D)

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[redacted], was contacted at his place of employment subsequent to an attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan. [redacted] was advised of the official identities of the interviewing agents and the nature of the inquiry and thereafter provided the following information:

He was stationed on the driveway almost immediately behind the Presidential limousine maintaining a restraining rope to keep members of the Press and other spectators from the President. In watching the crowd prior to President Reagan's departure from the VIP entrance of the hotel, [redacted] was told by [redacted] to keep his eye on two individuals in the crowd. One of these persons was [redacted] the other individual was a [redacted] could not further identify.

[redacted] was stationed on one side of the rope which had been strung across the driveway and was located next to the retaining wall while [redacted] whom he could only identify as a sergeant, was manning the other side of the rope. The President emerged from the VIP entrance of the hotel and began walking toward his limousine. [redacted] turned and faced the Press and bystanders in order to keep the crowd from rushing toward President Reagan. At that point in time [redacted] heard three shots and then a short pause. He then heard two more shots and looked in the direction of the wall, which is where he believed the gunfire had come from. He saw a white male with a clean face and dark colored hair against the wall in a crouched position firing a small blue finish handgun from his right hand. Almost immediately a number of police officers and Secret Service Agents rushed to the man and wrestled him to the ground. [redacted] believes the man was approximately six feet tall and could not determine what type of clothing the man was wearing. He had never seen this individual before. [redacted] believes he could identify this individual.

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if he were to see him again.

██████████ indicated he then became concerned with keeping the crowds back and his memory from that point on is unclear as to the sequence of events.

The following description of ██████████ was obtained through observation and interview:

Sex:
Race:
National Origin:
Date of Birth:
Height:
Weight:
Hair:
Eyes:



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[REDACTED] furnished the following information:

At approximately 2:20 p.m., on the afternoon of March 30, 1981, she had entered the parking garage on S Street, N.W., which is located opposite the Washington Hilton Hotel. As she was driving in she commented to the attending officer that the President (President Reagan) was here again. The attendant parked the car, she came out of the garage, took a peek, and saw a crowd gathering toward the main entrance of the Washington Hilton. EMPLOYED - ([REDACTED])

As she was walking closer to the Washington Hilton, she heard someone say "fire, fire," and then she realized that someone had been shot. She was going to volunteer to give first-aid, but decided not to. Also, at that time she saw a white male, in a light colored suit jump over backward the fence to the right of the entrance of the Washington Hilton. She was amazed at how well he jumped, and someone commented that he was a Secret Service Agent. After this she last observed the whole scene.

Although [REDACTED] did not see anyone approaching the President acting suspiciously she was observing him prior to the sound of the gun shots. After the sound of the shots, she observed Secret Service Agents wrestle to the ground and take away in a police car an individual who she described as follows:

Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Age:	34-45 Years
Hair:	Grey
Height:	Approximately six feet
Weight:	140-145 pounds
Build:	Slender
Clothes:	Dark blue suit

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She recalled that she heard three maybe four shots. Also, she saw a gun in the hand of the subject she described, and said it was black but did not know what kind.

She said that she felt the man in the light blue suit who jumped over the fence was another subject, and did not believe he was with the Secret Service.

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[REDACTED] answering service number [REDACTED]
Also, she frequently resides at the Connecticut Avenue address, and she has a home telephone number of [REDACTED]

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[redacted] was advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and the nature of the interview and he furnished the following information.

He said that on March 30, 1961, he was [redacted] and [redacted]

He stated that [redacted] that they proceeded to the Washington Hilton Hotel where the President was to give a speech. He said that [redacted]

At approximately 1:45 p.m., [redacted] stated that the [redacted] en route to the Washington Hilton Hotel and arrived at approximately 1:52 p.m. The President exited the limousine and immediately entered the Hilton Hotel. He said the [redacted] on the east side of T Street approximately 20 yards from the VIP entrance which the President used.

While waiting for the President to exit, [redacted] said [redacted] had conversation with [redacted] believed to be with the Secret Service, who was the driver for the route car of the President. He recalled during this period of time, he noticed [redacted]

At approximately 2:18 p.m., he had heard the President on his way out of the hotel [redacted]

As the President exited the hotel, he waved to the crowd. The limousine door was opened. Then [redacted] heard two initial quick shots, a slight pause and then another two or three rapid shots. [redacted] said he noted the assailant stepped [redacted]

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the woman wearing the blue dress and the limousine just prior to the shots and observed two flashes from this individual as he heard the first two shots. At this point, the crowd reacted and people were jumping on each other. [redacted] said he saw a white male fall to the ground as well as a [redacted] officer. There was also a man in a light blue or green suit who fell to the ground clutching at his abdomen. [redacted] said officer [redacted] dropped his motorcycle and immediately ran to the scene of the shooting about 25 yards away. The President was pushed into the limousine and another individual was shouting, get out of here.

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[redacted] advised that when he heard the shots, he realized there were shots fired and at this time, [redacted] He said the limousine came towards him and after being struck by the limousine, he turned and then headed on Connecticut Avenue with [redacted]

[redacted] driven and at this point, [redacted] realized the President might have been hit by a shot. [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that when the Presidential limousine arrived at George Washington Hospital, the President walked into the hospital with an individual on each side of him. He said [redacted]

[redacted] He noted that [redacted] arrived approximately 20 to 30 minutes later to also [redacted] in the crowd control. [redacted] advised he was unavailable to [redacted] any other information of value. He said he could not [redacted] the assailant.

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advised as follows:

stated he arrived with [redacted] at the Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., at approximately 1:30 p.m. At that time he found President Ronald Reagan was going to arrive between 1:15 and 1:50 p.m. [redacted] sat down in the lobby opposite the doors the President might possibly enter and talked with the Columbia Broadcasting Systems, Incorporated (CBS), and American Broadcasting Company, Incorporated (ABC) [redacted] went outside approximately ten minutes prior to the President's arrival and positioned himself behind the Secret Service (SS) ropes.

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advised he remembers two elderly tourists lined up with the Press behind the ropes.

stated the President arrived around 1:50 p.m. he took pictures of the President getting out of the car and walking a short distance to the Presidential or very Important Persons (VIP) security door. [redacted] proceeded through the regular entrance through the lobby down to the International Ballroom where they were security checked by SS Agents [redacted]

[redacted] filmed the President and crowd reaction to the President's lecture from the podium. speech lasted approximately twenty minutes.

advised [redacted] went outside a few minutes prior to the end of the President's speech to secure a vantage point to film the President's departure. [redacted] took a position behind the ropes closest to the wall.

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of a good, long camera angle of the President walking out. [redacted] was on the ground to the right of [redacted] with a microphone extended under, past the ropes to record any potential Presidential commentary.

[redacted] There were a lot of people intermingled with the Press, but they were orderly and did not interfere with the Press.

[redacted] stated the President came out of the side door and that he had a medium camera view of the President, encompassing the car and the people around him. In the same instance he heard two quick pops; instantaneously he reacted to his right because he knew they were coming from the right by the wall. Through the camera lens [redacted] saw the President being pushed into the car possibly banging his head and people going down. [redacted] saw a woman screaming, "My husband, my husband!". The woman was a well dressed, white female, approximately twenty-five to thirty years of age, and was good-looking. [redacted] did not follow the woman's actions and does not know what happened to her. Due to the frantic atmosphere [redacted] stated he did not see the husband she was screaming about. In the same fraction of a second he saw the assailant with both hands wrapped around a revolver. The assailant was in a crouching position with his arms straight out from his body. At this point, he saw people jumping on the assailant. One spectator, a portly, elderly white male, wearing a yellow slicker or sweater dove on the assailant. [redacted] went to filming the wounded man lying on the ground and the prevailing activity. One man, possibly a White House Staff Member, who was heavy-set, wearing a grey suit, requested a handkerchief. [redacted] stepped forward and handed a handkerchief to the man, who proceeded to administer the wound of White House Press Secretary James Brady. Subsequently, the SS [redacted] agent and the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) officer [redacted] were filmed lying on the ground. The next sequence filmed was the shoving of the assailant into a MPD squad car by SS Agents and MPD Officers. The ambulance arrived and [redacted] filmed the removal of the wounded, the crowd, the grassy area near the door and the SS Agents with machine guns. [redacted] stated after these events, he and [redacted] went into the Hilton lobby to smoke a cigarette and unwind.

Later, [redacted] filmed spectator interviews with a woman who claimed she was an eyewitness. The female eyewitness previously filmed by [redacted] was later interviewed by W.C. Correspondent [redacted] (PH). [redacted] and [redacted] were interviewed by [redacted]

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[redacted] stated the assailant had light brown or light blond hair, just over the collar. He was wearing a light tan jacket. [redacted] advised he believes he heard five or six shots, the shots occurring so fast, it sounded like an automatic weapon.

[redacted] stated he and [redacted] departed the scene approximately 6:30 p.m. and went to the White House to pick up Correspondent [redacted] (PH). They proceeded to Washington Field Office (Buzzards Point), 1900 Half Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. and positioned themselves to film the assailant at the garage ramp exiting Buzzards Point via Federal Bureau of Investigation contingent.

Later that evening, [redacted] They analyzed the film, froze and slowed the frames and explained the events that occurred on television.

[redacted] could provide no further information at this

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On April 10, 1981, Mr. [REDACTED] was recontacted by SA's [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] for the primary purpose of displaying a photo [REDACTED] to him. (b)(7)(c)(d)

[REDACTED] was shown a photo spread consisting of seven Caucasian males from which he promptly picked out photo number five (5) as being identical to the man he saw (and video-taped) shooting a handgun in the direction of the President on March 30, 1981. He remarked that the hair color was slightly different, but that there was no cause for question that this was the same individual. (b)(7)(c)(d)

The photographic spread consisted of the following individuals: (b)(7)(c)(d)

1. [REDACTED] United States Secret Service Agent
2. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office
3. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office
4. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office
5. John Warnock Hinckley, Jr., Subject
6. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office
7. [REDACTED] Clerk, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office

The above photographic spread, consisting of seven (7) males, is filed in the Sub 1-A section of WFO file 175-311.

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[redacted] who gave his home address as [redacted] and [redacted] telephone number [redacted] and [redacted] telephone number are [redacted] advised that he was standing beside [redacted] when he heard three pops. [redacted] turned with his camera to his right and saw a short white man with light brown hair and a tan coat. The man fired four to six shots in the direction of the President. [redacted] believes that he recorded the man firing the shots with his camera. [redacted]

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[redacted] employed by the [redacted] who was interviewed by [redacted] identified herself as a Special Agent (SA) of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). [redacted] was interviewed at the Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D. C.

On March 30, 1981, [redacted] advised that he was returning from lunch when he noticed the limousine parked in front of the Hilton Hotel. [redacted] decided to wait and see the President (Reagan) and positioned himself across the street from the Hilton Hotel, directly in front of the limousine.

[redacted] stated he could see the President exit the hotel, wave towards him and to the people in the hotel. [redacted] advised he saw a white male with a gun, approximately six feet, one inch to six feet, three inches, lean build; average looking; blonde hair; no facial hair; glasses, thirty to thirty-five years of age; wearing a parka. [redacted] stated before he saw this individual with a gun he saw him with a camera. [redacted] confident that he could identify the above mentioned individual if he saw him again. [redacted] added that he heard four or five shots and possibly even six. He stated that the gun sounded like a .22 caliber, not larger than a .38 caliber, and was a black handgun. [redacted] stated he saw an individual with the gun was by the wall between the main entrance and where the President exited. The male with the gun moved towards the President, and started firing. [redacted] saw a Police Officer grab the man almost immediately, but the man kept firing the weapon. [redacted] four to five people fall to the ground (a gentleman in blue suit, two Secret Service Agents, and a Police Officer). [redacted] stated the Secret Service Agents "on the guy right away".

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[REDACTED] stated that the only person standing around him was an elderly gentleman, sixty to seventy years old; five feet, five inches to five feet, seven inches; had a grey goatee; wearing glasses, a hat, and a dark coat. The gentleman told [REDACTED] that he had worked for the Government for thirty years. After the shots, [REDACTED] and the elderly man hid behind a wall in their vicinity, for approximately thirty seconds. [REDACTED] then got up and went over to see the individual that was taken into custody. The elderly man left the area. (b)(7)(c) Y

[REDACTED] stated he could be located through his sister, [REDACTED] has telephone number [REDACTED]

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and residing at [redacted] telephone [redacted] was interviewed at the Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., D.C. Prior to interview, [redacted] as advised of the identity of interviewing agent and nature of the inquiry. [redacted] advised as follows:

On March 30, 1981, [redacted]

[redacted] where President Ronald Reagan was giving a speech to a labor organization. While waiting for President Reagan to exit the hotel after the speech, [redacted] was positioned against the wall to the left of the VIP entrance near an area where the press was cordoned off with a velvet rope attached to two brass poles. After the President's limousine was driven up, [redacted] noticed the VIP door open and several Secret Service Agents exit the door. [redacted] then directed his attention to the press area to his left preparing for the possibility that President Reagan would approach and greet the gathered crowd near and in the press area.

[redacted] then observed President Reagan exit the VIP entrance, walk toward the Presidential limousine and wave to the crowd to the President's left. [redacted] then looked back over toward the press area when he heard the "clack pop" of what he thought to be a small caliber handgun. [redacted] then observed a white male with dirty blonde hair and a light coat in a "combat position," that is firing a handgun in a crouched position to the far right front near one of the brass poles where the press area was cordoned off. [redacted] rushed this individual, grabbed him by the shoulder and pushed him to the ground. Several Secret Service (SS) Agents and at least one private citizen who grabbed the assailant from the back also began struggling with this individual, trying to break his grip on a handgun. [redacted] believed this gun to be a .22 caliber revolver. When the revolver was finally broke from the individual's grip, he was put under control by handcuffing. [redacted] went to place his foot on the gun, which was lying

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on the ground near a drain grate in front of the press, but
a SS Agent confiscated the weapon. (A7C)

[redacted] MPD cruiser which
was parked across the street from the Washington Hilton
on T Street, N.W. [redacted]

MPD cruiser drove up and the alleged assailant was placed
in the rear of this car and driven off. [redacted]
[redacted] then returned to the press area where he observed MPD Officer
Delahanty lying on the ground with what appeared to be a
gunshot wound in the left shoulder; observed another civilian
individual with what appeared to be a gunshot wound over the
left eye; and observed a SS Agent lying face down holding his
stomach. These individuals were all lying in the same
general area, that is an area between the Presidential
limousine and the cordoned press area.

[redacted] then provided a rough sketch of
the general area where the above activity took place, making
special note where the alleged assailant fired at the
Presidential party from. [redacted] dated and signed
this sketch.

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[redacted] telephone number [redacted] was interviewed regarding the assassination attempt of President Ronald Reagan in Room [redacted] Washington Hilton Hotel. He furnished the following information: D.C.

[redacted] stated that he was standing near the Press Pool just outside the Washington Hilton Hotel in an effort to get a glimpse of the President. He said that he was standing between an unidentified news reporter and another individual. The other individual was standing in front of him and to the right.

[redacted] noted that it was this other unidentified individual who was standing in front of him that he observed shoot at the President. This individual was standing about three feet away from [redacted]

As the President approached them the President looked across the street and then an elderly, heavy-set man wearing a yellow coat called to the President, "Hey Mr. President" and at which time the President turned around and waved. At this very instant the same unidentified individual that was standing in front of [redacted] lurched forward with his arm extended holding a gun and started shooting at the President. This individual fired five or six shots before being subdued by the security people that accompanied the President.

[redacted] furnished the following description of the unidentified assailant:

Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Height:	Approximately 6'
Build:	Medium
Hair:	Light Brown, straight, semi-long
Dress:	Brown coat/possibly windbreaker
Weapon:	A small caliber revolver, dark

[redacted] also stated that he had not seen the individual's face and could not recall if the assailant had fired with either his left or right hand.

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[redacted] advised Special Agent [redacted] on April 6, 1981, that she was standing on March 30, 1981, which faces the Washington Hilton Hotel, T Street exit. [redacted] observed what she assumed Secret Service Agents precede President Reagan out the exit of the Washington Hilton Hotel. President Reagan bowed. As he exited, he waved to people on his right, then and waved with his left hand raised to the people on his left. At this point, [redacted] saw what she thought to be someone with a camera step forward and lean toward the President as if to take a picture. [redacted] immediately, she saw a flash and knew that it was a gun which the assailant fired with both hands firing at the President. She also heard the sound of shots being fired. She then saw the President being thrown into the Presidential limousine and the assailant being quickly tackled. She observed three people lying on the sidewalk and people scattering. [redacted] also observed the people on the sidewalk receiving first aid and the police and Secret Service placing the assailant into a police car.

[redacted] described the assailant as wearing a light tan or cream coat, (she was not able to see his face), light colored pants. [redacted] continued she could not identify the assailant, however she may have been able to identify his clothing immediately after the shooting. [redacted] advised she continued to observe until the police took the wounded away.

[redacted] remarked that there was a much smaller crowd around the President than usual because of the rain. She has seen the President come and go frequently.

[redacted] stated she has seen photographs of the suspect in newspapers and that she had never seen him before.

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[redacted] residence telephone number [redacted] was interviewed regarding her knowledge of the assault on the President of the United States and provided the following information: (b)(7)(c)

[redacted] advised she was located [redacted] waiting to view the President as he exited the T Street door of the Washington Hilton Hotel.

[redacted] stated that as the President exited the building she observed three flashes and heard approximately four shots. At that time she observed a white male with blond hair get knocked to the ground by other men.

[redacted] advised she had been watching the line formed by members of the press prior to the President exiting the building and the blond, white male was not at the press line until just before the shots were fired.

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Don [redacted]

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United States Secret Service

Service, 1900 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., telephone 634-5100, advised as follows:

[redacted] stated that he reported at [redacted] to the Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., WDC, [redacted] assigned to protect RONALD REAGAN, President of the United States.

[redacted] continued that President REAGAN arrived at the Washington Hilton at approximately 1:50 p.m. and departed the Hilton via the VIP entrance at approximately 2:35 p.m.

[redacted] advised that a few moments prior to the President's departure, he and Special Agent, [redacted] United States Secret Service, had taken up positions near the curb to the left of the VIP entrance. At this time, [redacted] advised he was facing the crowd with his back to the entrance.

[redacted] stated that he became aware of President REAGAN's departure from the Washington Hilton by the reaction of the crowd and in what seemed like a moment later he heard a "pop" that sounded like a firecracker followed in rapid succession by four or five other "pops".

[redacted] stated that as he turned to his left towards the sound, he observed a handgun held in both hands protruding from the crowd followed by the individual holding it who was in a crouched position and who appeared to be pushed out by the crowd in back of him.

[redacted] advised that he immediately rushed this individual who he later learned was identified as JOHN HINCKLEY, and wrestled him to the ground joined by other agents and police officers.

[redacted] continued that HINCKLEY was immediately handcuffed and removed from the scene via Washington, D.C. Police Cruiser by Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] himself, U.S. Secret Service, and Washington, D.C. police Officer [redacted].

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[REDACTED] stated that HINCKLEY was taken to a holding cell at Central Cellblock, Metropolitan Police Department 300 Indiana Avenue, N.W., WDC, where he was searched and verbally given his rights by Special Agent [REDACTED]. He was then taken upstairs to the Homicide Division where he was read his rights by Police Officer [REDACTED] and he also read them himself.

[REDACTED] advised that at this time, HINCKLEY stated that he did not wish to make any statement until he consulted an attorney at which point the interview was terminated and preliminary processing begun.

[REDACTED] stated that he remained with HINCKLEY from the time of arrest until he was turned over to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Special Agents [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] at 300 Indiana Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

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[redacted] was interviewed in his room. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents and the nature of the interview, [redacted] provided the following information:

[redacted] comes to WDC, for business reasons. He stated that after his scheduled golf game was rained out in the morning, he came back to his hotel. [redacted] stated that from his hotel, he could see all the activity at the Washington Hilton across the street, so he went to see what it was all about.

[redacted] advised that he walked down T Street, N.W., to an area near the Hilton entrance on that street. He took a position near the door that President Reagan used to exit the hotel. [redacted] stated that he stood in a crowd there next to [redacted] (phonetic). [redacted] and the [redacted] stated that his meeting with [redacted] near the Hilton was coincidental, and that they stood together talking; waiting to catch a glimpse of President Reagan. He stated that they stood on the sidewalk between the [redacted] and the driveway near the exit door.

[redacted] advised that he saw the President yell out and wave to the crowd; whereupon he heard five shots in rapid succession. [redacted] said that Antwanette [redacted] fell on the assailant, who was positioned immediately in front of where they stood. [redacted] stated that he and [redacted] both took part in the struggle that involved the assailant, police officers, and Secret Service agents.

[redacted] described the assailant as a young white male with blond hair. He could not elaborate on that description as he did not get a very good view of him, since the assailant was covered by [redacted] and the law enforcement officers.

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[REDACTED] advised that he will be staying at the
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[REDACTED] advised his home address is [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED]

office telephone [REDACTED]

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[redacted] Special Agent (SA) United States Secret Service, Washington Field Office, telephone number 514-5100, provided SA [redacted] Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), with the following information: D.C.

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[redacted] At 2:20 p.m. (H)(X)(C)(F)
[redacted] was at the Stage East Entrance of the Speech Site. (F)
Prior to the conclusion of the Presidential speech, [redacted] told [redacted] he would go up and check the departure site. [redacted] then proceeded down the Hall of the Presidents, through the Holding Room and went outside to the departure site. [redacted] noted the position of the motorcade vehicles, then spoke to [redacted] Presidential Protective Division, Secret Service, the driver of the follow up Secret Service vehicle. [redacted] position at this point was on the street side of the motorcade away from the press and hotel. [redacted] noticed press members crossing between the Presidential Limousine and the above noted follow up Secret Service vehicle. The press began lingering by the left door of the Presidential limousine. Some of the press were actually between the two vehicles. [redacted] then tried to clear this area out.

[redacted] when at approximately 2:25 p.m. [redacted] heard shots coming from the direction of the hotel on the other side of the motorcade. [redacted] was fairly certain that he heard four to five shots. After the first shot, [redacted] turned to the direction he thought the shots were coming from and saw smoke and a partial arm with a gun coming out of the crowd near the wall by the rope off. [redacted] saw a commotion developing

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the area where the smoke had come from. Without thinking, [redacted] rushed into the pile of people around the suspect. [redacted] remembered grabbing the suspect's right wrist. The suspect did not have a weapon in his hand when [redacted] grabbed the wrist. Another Secret Service Agent, [redacted] grabbed the suspect's left wrist and placed a handcuff on this wrist. Finally they also cuffed the right wrist. After the suspect was put under control, [redacted] stepped away from the pile of people and observed that the limousine and follow up vehicle had already left. [redacted] then assisted in controlling the crowd, it was at this point that he realized there were three injured men lying on the pavement. [redacted] remembers handing his handkerchief to Mr. [redacted]

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[redacted] who was helping to attend to the fallen Metropolitan Police Department Officer. At this point in the interview [redacted] added that while the tussle involving the suspect was going on, [redacted]

[redacted] there were three to four police officers, names unknown, plus [redacted] and [redacted] of the Secret Service besides [redacted]; himself, who were involved in wrestling with the suspect. [redacted] described the suspect as follows:

Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Age:	Early twenties

The victims were positioned prone on the pavement as follows: The Metropolitan Police Officer was nearest the assailant. Brady was in the middle near the rear of the limousine. The Secret Service Agent, Tim McCarthy, was lying nearest to the hotel entrance on the right side of the limousine.

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[redacted] provided the following signed statement to Special Agents (SAs) [redacted] and [redacted] of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) at 3:12 p.m., March 31, 1981, at above address.

"March 31, 1981
3:12 p.m. Tuesday

"I, [redacted] make the following voluntary statement to [redacted] and [redacted] who have identified themselves to me as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

"At approximately 2:15 p.m. Monday, March 30, 1981, I returned from lunch [redacted]

[redacted] At this point I saw the President's limousine parked in front of the VIP entrance of the Washington Hilton Hotel. Several men came out of the hotel before I saw the President come out. Then there he (President) was. The President walked from the exit (VIP exit) and he waved and smiled, a few seconds after that I heard what I thought was firecrackers, then I looked over to the crowd and I saw this gun barrel in the person's hand. The gun appeared to be a short barrel of dark color and I saw the fired coming out of it. Then I thought to protect myself, while I was shouting 'they shot the President.' I thought I heard four (4) shots. The Secret Service Agents or Police started to yelled 'Get him out of Here.' Then the President's limousine was gone, it was going toward Connecticut Avenue. I saw them struggling with a person on the concrete sidewalk. At this point I decided to call my husband.

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I have read this two page statement, have initialed all corrections, and it is entirely true and correct.

/s/ [REDACTED]

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/s/ Special Agent [REDACTED], FBI, WFO, March 31, 1961
/s/ Special Agent [REDACTED], FBI, WFO, March 31, 1961

The following background and description was obtained through interview and observation:

Name: [REDACTED]
Age: [REDACTED]
Sex: [REDACTED]
Date of Birth: [REDACTED]
Height: [REDACTED]
Weight: [REDACTED]
Hair: [REDACTED]
Eyes: [REDACTED]
Social Security: [REDACTED]
Driver: [REDACTED]
Residence: [REDACTED]
Telephone: [REDACTED]
Marital Status: [REDACTED]

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at approximately 3:43 PM, as follows:

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Before she realized what had happened, she said the convention hall doors were closed and she was denied admission by Secret Service Officials.

She therefore decided to walk upstairs to the location where she had previously seen the President's limousine and photograph the President when he exited. Another convention member, who had also missed the speech, decided to join

Approximately twenty minutes before the President appeared, she stated that she positioned herself across from and behind the President's limousine behind a road-off area, approximately five feet from the stone retaining wall. He was standing directly behind the rope in a place where he had a clear, unobstructed view. While she waited for the President, she said the policeman, assailant, scrutinized her very car.

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that she may have posed a potential security risk, said that she uncapped her camera lens in an effort to eliminate any of her fears regarding her intentions. She also said that she had the convention badge attached to her turtleneck shirt which she believed helped identify her as a guest of the hotel.

As time elapsed, she said she became aware of the presence of both the press corps and a television camera being positioned to her left. During this time, [redacted] was standing directly behind her and another young man described as nineteen to twenty years old, curly blond hair, 6'1" to 6'2" tall, dressed in grubby clothes, wearing a burgundy shirt and tacky, old pants. He began to make several derogatory remarks about the President which she described as "hitching" and he seemed to enjoy the attention he was receiving from the gathering spectators. She said his remarks were innocuous in nature and more sarcastic than threatening. According to [redacted] he said that if the President came out to leave and nobody was there to greet him?, or something similar to this statement. He continued to ramble on with similar-type remarks up until a Secret Service Agent entered the limousine and started the engine. By this time, the crowd had grown and there was much more commotion and activity anticipating President Reagan's appearance.

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Minutes before the President exited the hotel, a camera man described as a black male, began pushing his way toward the front line where [redacted] was standing. Someone was yelling, "Press, Press, let the press through!" [redacted], according to [redacted] began to complain that he had waited twenty minutes and did not appreciate being pushed aside by a press reporter. Eventually, the reporter pushed himself to the front line between the wall and [redacted].

[redacted] said that she remembered snapping on perhaps two photographs of the President as he exited the hotel. As he approached the open area, near the limousine, an outstretched arm appeared over her right shoulder and fired two shots in rapid succession. She described the subject's arm as covered with a dark material and his hand that of a white male. The gun she described as black.

with a long barrel, similar to that of a target pistol. She stated she heard two separate shots, saw the smoke ascending from the barrel and realizing what was happening, spun around to her left to avoid a collision with a Secret Service Agent who was diving at the assailant. She explained that she ran behind a concrete wall directly behind a large concrete planter and crouched down for protection with two other bystanders described as two black youngsters. She recalled hearing several additional shots being fired as she ran to hide. A minute later, she peered around the wall, noticed a group of people struggling and several others lying on the ground. She snapped one more photograph, snapped the camera into the camera case and ran up the sidewalk and into the Hotel. She met with [REDACTED] moments later in the lobby and went directly to the Hospitality Suite located on the fourth floor. As she calmed down and watched the news reports on the television she decided to return downstairs to report her eyewitness account to the police authorities.

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EMILY [redacted]

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[redacted] was interviewed at her office and provided the following information:

[redacted] stated that she was in her office on Monday morning, March 30, 1931. She was looking out her window across T Street from the Hilton Hotel when President Reagan walked out. She stated she saw the President wave to his right at the people across T Street. She then heard four gunshots and saw a strange look appear on the President's face.

[redacted] stated that upon hearing the gunshots she turned to the right of where the President was standing because it seemed to her that was where the shots had originated. She advised that she saw a sandy haired man in the crowd with his hands clasped together.

After the Presidential limousine pulled away, [redacted] the police put a sandy haired man in the second police car to pull up. [redacted] advised that she had no way of knowing whether the man with the gun and the man taken away in the police car were one and the same. Because of the crowd she never saw more than his hair and she was sure she could not make an identification of the assailant.

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[REDACTED]
 furnished the following information:
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On this day, March 30, 1931, [REDACTED] was at his desk with his back to the window. Shortly before 2:30 p.m., he heard what he thought was the backfire of a car. He turned around and saw the President approximately three feet from his limousine in front of the Washington Hilton Hotel. He (the President) was lying at the crowd of people. At that point, [REDACTED] saw an individual who he later believed to be the subject, coming into the hotel from the underpass under the ballroom of the hotel. [REDACTED] saw something in his hand, which he at first thought was a microphone. He was pushing people aside, and was working his way to the front. As he did so to the front of the crowd, [REDACTED] saw fire from what then realized was a gun, including the backfire he had heard. Prior, he heard three, maybe four shots.

[REDACTED] said that Secret Service Agents and the police were with the individual in a minute. Regarding the shots that he heard, [REDACTED] saw, [REDACTED] thought that the crowd of people around the individual with the gun may have deterred the shots. The second shot was in the air and the third shot looked more deliberate. [REDACTED] then saw the President surrounded by Secret Service Agents and taken away in his limousine. RACE - WHITE SEX - MALE

(Both) advised that he had witnessed these events from across the street and (twelve stories up)

(Both) furnished the following information regarding individual he saw with the gun:

Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Age:	Mid-fifties
Hair:	Grey
Height:	5'10" to 5'11"
Weight:	160 pounds

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[REDACTED] furnished the following information:

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[REDACTED] which overlooks the entrance to the Washington Hilton across the street, when he heard what sounded like a car backfire once. The sound appeared to come from the underground parking area. Since he was aware of the Presidential activity across the street, he turned to look out the window. He stated that he initially saw President Reagan waving to the crowd and then saw an individual moving from the area of the press vehicles (parked under the underpass at the hotel entrance) toward the front left edge of the crowd with his right hand extended forward. [REDACTED] initially thought the individual was a media correspondent, stating that he "looked like Marvin Kalb." The individual was moving forward very briskly toward correspondent Sam Donaldson, pushing his way through the crowd. At this time, [REDACTED] stated that he saw a uniformed police officer attempt to hit or block the subject's right arm; the officer appeared to deflect the arm upward when [REDACTED] heard a second shot. The subject continued to move forward, extended his arm, and fired a third and possibly a fourth shot in rapid succession. [REDACTED] advised that he first thought the individual was holding a microphone in his hand, but then saw muzzle flashes emanate from the object held in that hand. The weapon appeared to [REDACTED] to be a small handgun, dark in color and appeared small enough to readily be concealed in a person's hand. The events that [REDACTED] described, from the sound of the initial "backfire" to the last shot heard by [REDACTED] transpired in approximately five seconds. After hearing the last shot, [REDACTED] saw the subject surrounded by police officers and agents and pushed against the wall. He

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saw three people laying on the ground and noted that the President was pushed into a vehicle which departed rapidly.

described the subject as follows:

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Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Height:	Approximately five feet, nine inches, to five feet, ten inches
Weight:	150 to 160 pounds, slight build
Hair:	Light colored, curly, shaggy
Other:	Dapper, well-dressed, wearing a light colored suit with burgundy stripes; distinctive nose.
Complexion:	Tan, possibly Middle Eastern/Indian type look.

advised that from his vantage point, he was looking down on the scene and did not see the individual's face that clearly; he stated, however, that the individual looked "very much like Marvin Kalb." He advised that he might "possibly" be able to identify the individual if he saw him again, but that he focused more on his hair and clothes than anything else. further stated that this individual appeared to be alone; it did not appear to as if anyone was aiding him or accompanying him.

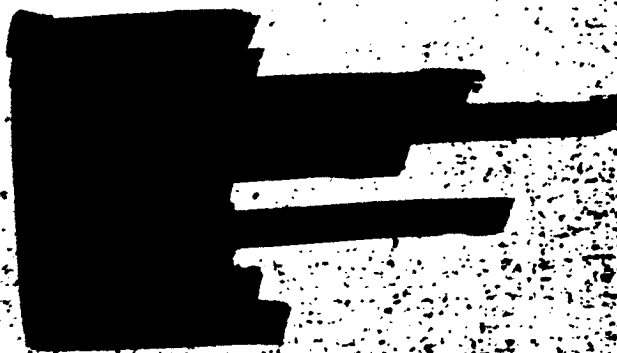
could provide no additional information.

The following description of was obtained through observation and interview:

Race:
Sex:
Hair:
Height:

Age:
Build:

Social Security Account
Number (SSAN):



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[REDACTED] residence telephone area code [REDACTED] was interviewed concerning his knowledge of the assault on the President of the United States and provided the following information:

[REDACTED] advised he is attending a convention at the Washington Hilton Hotel 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C. (WDC), and was situated on the T Street, N. W., side of the hotel when President Reagan's party emerged from the hotel.

[REDACTED] stated that he heard a series of gunshots and then observed several men attempting to disarm a man who had a gun in his hand. [REDACTED] stated that while the scuffle was taking place the man holding the gun fired another shot.

[REDACTED] advised that following the shooting, he assisted the wounded until the ambulance arrived.

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was interviewed by Special Agent [redacted] and Special Agent [redacted] Secret Service. She furnished the following information:

[redacted] On March 30, 1981, she learned that President Reagan would be at the Hilton. She did not see Reagan arrive but wished to see him depart. Therefore, she went to the first floor of the Universal North Building and stood in the lobby. This first floor lobby is on the same street level as the Hilton VIF entrance, and has a floor to ceiling picture window.

[redacted] was standing in the lobby when she saw Reagan. She heard several shots and saw flashes coming from the press line. On closer inspection, she observed an arm with a protruding from the press line.

As victims fell on the sidewalk and people started moving away from the assailant, she obtained a clear unobstructed view of the assailant's face as well as his clothing.

[redacted] was shown a photo array compiled by SA [redacted]. This array consists of eight (8) color photographs of young Caucasian males. [redacted] immediately selected photo which is of subject Kinchley, as being the individual that had observed firing the shots at Reagan and his entourage.

The individuals in the photo spread are identified

1. [redacted] Special Agent, United States Secret Service. (b)(7)(C)(D)

2. [redacted] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

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3. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

4. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

5. John Varnock Hinckley, Jr.

6. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

7. [REDACTED] Clerk, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

8. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

The photo spread was subsequently placed in a 1-A envelope and will be maintained in the WFO main case file.

[REDACTED] repeatedly emphasized that she saw Hinckley holding and firing the pistol.

[REDACTED] provided the following description of the subject she had observed:

Race:

Sex:

Age:

Height:

Weight:

Hair:

Build:

Facial characteristics:

Clothing:

White

Male

Mid-20s

medium

medium

light colored

stout

round

light colored trenchcoat

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[REDACTED] was interviewed by the below listed Agent in the company of Special Agent [REDACTED] United States Secret Service. [REDACTED] was advised of the reason for this interview, an investigation into the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981.

[REDACTED]. He was in the company of "pool" photographers and exited the hotel by means of the T Street entrance, around the corner from the VIP entrance. He then proceeded to the vicinity of the VIP entrance, positioning himself at the side of the presidential limousine which was opposite that which the President would use.

[REDACTED] stated that he arrived at this position of three seconds before the President exited the hotel. [REDACTED] was at that time focusing his camera on the limousine, suspecting that the President would take this opportunity to stand at the limousine door and wave to the crowd. Upon hearing shots fired, [REDACTED] immediately lowered the camera to his eye and looked directly at the subject. He saw a young man standing and firing at the President and his party. [REDACTED] first noticed about the suspect was the position from which he was shooting. Two suspect stood with his feet firmly planted about two feet apart, facing the direction of the President directly and using two hands to grip the weapon. [REDACTED] first reaction was that the suspect could not possibly be going to, since he looked too clean-cut. [REDACTED] noted to himself that the suspect looked like he might be a Reagan supporter, looking young and fairly clean-cut.

[REDACTED] stated that he has since seen many photographs, television pictures of the suspect and this entire incident. [REDACTED] stated that he does not believe that he could, from his own observations, describe or identify the suspect. What [REDACTED] could make at this time would be highly colored by the film and photographs which he has seen since then.

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██████████ stated that on the afternoon in question, he took approximately 15 feet of motion picture film of the incident. Because of the sudden nature of this incident, the camera was over-exposed for the scene and during much of this time, ██████████ was slowly backing into the street and away from the scene. However, this short piece of film is available for viewing.

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[redacted] Special Agent (SA) of the United States Secret Service (USSS), assigned to the [redacted] of the Washington Field Office, Washington, D. C. (WDC), residence [redacted], home telephone, [redacted], work, 634-5100, was advised of the identity of the SAs. He then furnished the following information:

At approximately 2:25 p. m. he came out of the front entrance of the Washington Hilton Hotel located between Connecticut and T Streets, N. W., WDC. He preceded President Reagan outside and went to the right front portion of the limosine to observe the crowd across the street. To his left was Special Agent [redacted], USSS, who took a position near the right rear tender of the Presidential limosine. To the left of [redacted] was a sectioned off area for the press. [redacted] stated that he then heard three shots which came from his left side. At this time he reached for his revolver and looked to see if the President had been covered. He saw that the President was covered and was being thrown into the limosine. He heard two additional shots fired from the press section area which was to his left. [redacted] then saw a man fall, whom he did not know. When he got over to this man a bunch of people were holding him down. This man still had a revolver in his hand. The weapon was taken away and the subject was then handcuffed.

[redacted] ordered a Metropolitan Police Officer to get a marked unit there for transporting the subject to the central cell block. The subject did not say anything en route to the cell block except that his cuffs were too tight.

[redacted] advised that SAs [redacted] and [redacted] along with a Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) Officer accompanied the subject to the cell block.

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The subject was frisked before being transported and was searched at the cell block.

[REDACTED] further recalled that he remembered [REDACTED]

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After interviewing [REDACTED], SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were shown the following items by [REDACTED] which had been seized from the subject:

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1. One beige jacket
2. A watch
3. Black wallet
4. A Washington area tour brochure
5. A John Lennon magazine article
6. A red John Lennon button (3-4" diameter)

[REDACTED] stated that the subject's shoes were also seized. He then displayed two receipts from the subject's wallet. One receipt was for a .38 caliber revolver purchased in Denver, Colorado, the other receipt contained a .22 caliber R&L revolver and one box of 22 long rifle shells purchased on October 13, 1980, from Rocky's Police Equipment, 2018 Elm Street, Dallas, Texas.

[REDACTED] further displayed items of identification which contained the name John W. Hinckley. He then added that there was also \$129 in the wallet.

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██████████ telephone ██████████ was contacted at the Washington Hilton Hotel subsequent to an attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan on March 30, 1981. ██████████ was advised of the official identity of the interviewing agent and the nature of the inquiry and thereafter provided the following information:

He was able to stand and overlook the driveway of the Washington Hilton. [REDACTED] advised he was standing on a ledge immediately across T Street from the driveway of the Hilton. He was on a ledge in front of some [REDACTED] After standing for only a few minutes he saw President Reagan emerge from a door of the hotel to the left of the hotel driveway. The President was waving to the crowd and was facing the lobby of the hotel when [REDACTED] heard three shots in rapid succession. He then heard one or two more shots.

Immediately before these shots were fired, [redacted] attent was drawn to a white male approximately six feet tall and weighing 160 pounds, working his way through a crowd of reporters and spectators located on the driveway sidewalk immediately to the right of the Presidential limousine. [redacted] noticed this individual because of the way he was weaving his way through the crowd. When [redacted] heard the first shots he looked in the direction of this man again and saw that he was being wrestled to the ground by a number of police officers and

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Persons [redacted] believes were Secret Service Agents. [redacted] saw [redacted] at the white male who had been working his way through the crowd was holding a snub nosed revolver in his right hand. After this man was grabbed by the police officers, approximately [redacted] more shots were fired in the air. [redacted] would estimate this individual was no more than six yards from President Kennedy when he began shooting. (1)(2)(C)

[redacted] provided the following complete description of this white male as follows:

Height:	6'
Build:	Medium
Weight:	160 lbs
Age:	Approximately 25 years old
Hair:	Light blonde and straight
Hair Length:	Moderately short, barely covering the ears
Clothing:	Blue 3/4 length rain coat
Weapon:	Possibly .32 or .38 caliber revolver with a blue finish

[redacted] believes he could identify this individual if [redacted] were to see him again.

[redacted]

The following description of [redacted] was obtained through observation and interview:

Sex:	[redacted]
Race:	[redacted]
Height:	[redacted]
Weight:	[redacted]
Hair:	[redacted]
Eyes:	[redacted]
Date of Birth:	[redacted]
Work Telephone:	[redacted]
SSAN:	[redacted]
Nearest Relative:	[redacted]

[redacted]

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On April 7, 1981, Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] conducted the following investigations:

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A photographic spread consisting of seven similar color photographs of white males, numbered one through seven, was shown to [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] approximately 2:21 p.m.

[REDACTED] identified photograph number five as the individual he saw working his way through a crowd of reporters and spectators located on the driveway sidewalk immediately to the right of the Presidential limousine. The photographic spread consisted of the following individuals:

1) [REDACTED] United States Secret Service Agent.

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2) [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

3) [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

4) [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

5) John Warnock Hinckley, Jr., Subject.

6) [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

7) [REDACTED] Clerk, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

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[redacted] telephone number [redacted], was interviewed by [redacted] who identified herself as a Special Agent of the FBI.

[redacted] where he was interviewed in the lobby: D.C.

[redacted] was in the lobby of the Hilton to see the President. He saw a white male, possibly wearing a beige jacket, standing in the corner near the doors of the ballroom entrance. This individual moved toward the President, pulled out a "policeman type gun" and began shooting from hip level. [redacted] saw one flash from the gun and then heard 3 other shots. [redacted] saw a man with a bald head, another man in business clothes, and a policeman fall to the ground. [redacted] stated he would not be able to identify the man with the gun.

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Police Department/ (MPD), Washington, D.C. (WDC),
work telephone number

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address
home telephone number, provided the following
information:

March 30, 1981 and that from 1:15 p.m.

stated that

stated that he arrived at approximately 1:15 p.m.
and that he was standing approximately 20 feet from the
VIP door that the President was going to enter. stated
that at approximately ten minutes before President Reagan
arrived, indicated to

stated that the Secret Service Agents confronted the
individual and later advised that they knew him.

was positioned at the VIP entrance,
and at approximately a few minutes to 2:00 p.m., indicated
to the President
was en route to the hotel. stated that the President
arrived at approximately 2:00 p.m. and that there were no
major problems with the President entering the hotel.

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[redacted] that the Secret Service was coming out the door. [redacted] was facing, the press line, and [redacted] was facing the Presidential limousine, and the two officers were approximately three feet apart, and had their backs facing each other.

[redacted] stated the President's press corp made no commotion but that was nothing out of the ordinary. [redacted] stated he saw the President come out of the VIP entrance, that he was waving to the crowd and walking toward the limousine. [redacted] stated the lady that was previously walking around started calling out for the President, and that she was louder than anyone else, and got the President's attention. [redacted] believes the President started back toward the lady to shake her hand, and at this time [redacted] began hacking up. [redacted] believes at this time he was approximately six to eight feet from the President.

[redacted] stated the President turned around approximately the front right fender, and the lady was positioned at the right rear of the limousine. [redacted] stated that the President was walking along the right hand side of the car and that he was still walking back facing the President.

[redacted] stated when the President reached the middle of the limousine, he heard the first shot and looked toward the President, and saw the Secret Service Agents grab him and put the President into the limousine. [redacted] then looked to his right into the crowd and saw a white male, approximately six to eight feet away, firing a pistol in the direction of the President. After the first shot, [redacted] fell to one knee and charged the subject. [redacted] stated that while Secret Service Agents and MPD officers were trying to apprehend the subject he was still trying to shoot his gun.

[redacted] stated that he is unaware who got the pistol from the subject, but saw it laying on the ground.

Upon apprehending the suspect he was placed in scout car #97 by Secret Service Agents and MPD officers. [redacted] stated that he is positive that the individual who was placed in the MPD car is the same individual he saw shooting at President Reagan. [redacted]

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█████ stated upon arrival at the Central Cellblock Secret Service Agents advised that they want more protection, they didn't want anything to happen. █████ stated transfer to the Central Cellblock went without incident.

█████ stated that himself and the three Secret Service Agents went into the cellblock and at that time Secret Service Agent indicated that the suspect must be searched. Secret Service Agents searched the suspect but all his property on the floor. █████ stated he picked up a key that looked like his scout car key and picked up thinking it was. At this time █████ returned to the police car knowing that the ignition was still on. █████ indicated when he got back to the car, the scout car key was still in the ignition and didn't realize that he had picked up another key (from hotel). When █████ returned to the cellblock, he handed the car key over to the cellblock man, believed to be Officer █████. █████ later gave back █████ the car key so that he could straighten up the car and later returned the car key to the cellblock.

█████ then proceeded upstairs to the Homicide Section. He later returned to the cellblock area and located the scout car key. He then went out into the garage, started up the scout car, and backed in into a position so that he could leave expeditiously. █████ stated that Secret Service Agents advised him that they were looking for a hotel key, at that point, █████ searched the back of his car for the key with negative results.

As the suspect was readied to be transported to the Washington Field Office, █████ approached his scout car and removed a key thought by him to be his scout car key. Entering the scout car, █████ realized that the scout car keys were already in the ignition and that the key in his hand was a hotel key from Park Central Hotel. █████ stated at this time that he had the hotel key that the Secret Service Agents were looking for and gave it to a Secret Service Agent wearing a grey suit. █████ stated he drove to the Washington Field Office for the purpose of interview.

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[REDACTED] Washington, D. C. (b)(7)(c)
[REDACTED] DC), after being advised of the identity of the interviewing
[REDACTED] and questioned specifically regarding his recollection
[REDACTED] the events surrounding the attempted assassination of
[REDACTED] President Ronald Reagan, advised as follows:

At approximately 2:25 p.m., he was assisting in a
[REDACTED] Presidential Protection detail at the Washington Hilton Hotel
[REDACTED] located at 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., WDC. (b)(7)(c):(F)
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[REDACTED] reported that as
[REDACTED] President Reagan was leaving the VIP entrance of the Washington
[REDACTED] Hilton, the President's attention was attracted by a woman in the
[REDACTED] crowd who was calling loudly for the President. As the President
[REDACTED] turned to his left, [REDACTED] heard a number of gunshots. At this
[REDACTED] instant he ducked and looked to his right where he observed an
[REDACTED] individual in a crouched position with a gun in his hands firing
[REDACTED] shots in the direction of the President. [REDACTED] advised that he
[REDACTED] then observed the individual with the gun wrestled to the ground
[REDACTED] by Secret Service Agents and other law enforcement officers and
[REDACTED] as he assisted Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] and
[REDACTED] of the United States Secret Service in placing the suspect
[REDACTED] in a MPD scout car and transporting the subject to MPD headquarters.
[REDACTED] was questioned as to whether or not he actually observed the suspect
[REDACTED] with a weapon. [REDACTED] stated, "I saw the suspect fire shots at President
[REDACTED] Reagan." (b)(7)(c)

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[REDACTED] was interviewed
and SA [REDACTED] Secret Service, on
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[REDACTED] On March 30, 1981 at approximately 2:30 P.M. she
looking out her office window waiting for Reagan to leave. She
Reagan exit via the VIP entrance and wave at the crowd gathered
at Press line. At this time, [REDACTED] looked at the crowd and saw
[REDACTED] with a gun jutting out. She then heard several shots and
Reagan pushed into the limousine. People then began running
falling down. (b)(7)(C)(D)

[REDACTED] never obtained a close look at assailant's face.
vision of him was obstructed by the individuals subduing him.
he was placed in a police car, she was only able to see his
ting and hair color.

[REDACTED] furnished the following description of subject:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	Young, in 20's
Height:	Average
Weight:	Average
Hair:	Blonde
Clothing:	Light jacket or trench coat

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U.S. Secret Service, 1410 L Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.
(U), work telephone number. [redacted] home address [redacted]
[redacted] home telephone [redacted]
[redacted] of the identity [redacted]

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_____ was advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents and the nature of the inquiry concerning the assassination attempt on President Ronald Reagan on March 30, 1981. He provided the following information:

: his duty at the Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919
Connecticut Avenue, N.W., WDC, [REDACTED]

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The President and his associates arrived and proceeded with their previous scheduled events. [REDACTED]

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returned to an area above the entrance of the Hilton Hotel. At that point, he assures that he was in a position to see only the front end of a limousine belonging to the Presidential party.

As he was standing above the VIP entrance of the Washington Hilton Hotel he observed people across the street (Street, N.W., WDC), begin to clap. At that time, he learned that the President and his party was departing from the area.

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hotel. A moment later, he heard gunfire involving approximately four shots, three in rapid fire sequence one delayed by a fraction of a second. At the moment first heard the shots, he looked over to the area where gun fire was coming from. This area was blocked from view, however, he believes that he saw the light from muzzle fire come from the area. He immediately departed from his area above the VIP entrance and proceeded to run in a driveway of the Hotel Hilton, around the corner of Street, N.W., and towards the entrance of the VIP entrance. During this time his weapon was drawn. He believes that prior to arriving at the VIP entrance area he replaced his in his holster. When he arrived, he was able to observe three people lying on the ground, a Secret Service Agent with an Uzi in his hand directing personnel, and a crowd of people in this area. He noted that the flashes from muzzle fire that he saw when he was on top of the VIP entrance appeared to come from the area of the VIP entrance itself. [redacted] stated that during his route from his position top of the VIP entrance to the assassination attempt he was using his Secret Service radio to alert all those monitoring that there was an assassination attempt on the President. At that time, he did know the status of the incident, but believed it to be a real assassination attempt.

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One of the three people lying on the ground in the area in front of the VIP entrance was a D.C. Police officer, Thomas Delahanty, whom he was acquainted with. No other people were lying in this area whose identity he did not know. He recalls that both of these people were wearing suits. At the time he arrived at the scene an unknown person was trying to turn Delahanty onto his back. Delahanty gave indications that this movement caused him extreme pain and the unknown person discontinued his attempt to turn Delahanty over.

He recalls another man holding an Uzi applying pressure to the leg of a man with a suit. [redacted] went over to this man and asked him if he needed assistance. He recalls that his assistance was not needed and proceeded to the T Street area to begin directing traffic in order to make the area clear for ambulances. During this time he grabbed the radio of a scooterman by the name of [redacted] Uniform Division, U.S. Secret Service. At that time [redacted] broadcasted an alert over the radio. D.C.

He recalls observing a weapon on the ground when he first arrived at the scene. The weapon was described as

small caliber revolver, blue steel finish, with brown handle grips, approximately two inch barrel. He can best describe the position of the gun as being approximately two or three feet from the man with the Uzi. He does not recall if the weapon was near anyone else. When he observed the weapon he stepped on this weapon with his foot to hold it in place. Then, a uniformed Sergeant of the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) (possibly of the 2nd District, WDC) advised [redacted] that he would take control of this weapon. (b)(7)(C) Y

[redacted] Based upon his observation, he believes that this revolver could have been a police service revolver. When the uniformed Sergeant advised him that he would take control of the weapon, [redacted] left.

At another instance, he observed a MPD Crime Lab technician take a gun out of Thomas Delahanty's holster. [redacted] assumes that he was securing this weapon for evidence and security purposes.

[redacted] was able to observe a picture of the subject in a newspaper the following morning. He advised that he never seen this individual before and cannot recall seeing [redacted] in the crowd the day before during the assassination attempt or during President Ronald Reagan's speech.

He commented that all the shots fired and heard [redacted] him as he was stationed above the VIP entrance of the Washington Hilton Hotel appeared to sound the same, coming from the same weapon and coming from the same area. He has no reason to believe that more than one person was involved in this assassination attempt.

When he arrived at the scene of the assassination attempt he was not able to observe anyone in custody. In addition, he was not able to observe any Secret Service agents wrestling with an unknown individual.

In addition to the Special Agents (SA) of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), SA [redacted] and Detective [redacted] MPD, [redacted] and [redacted] were present in on this interview.

[redacted] believed that he could furnish no further information relating to this incident. He advised a person [redacted] also known as [redacted] the name of [redacted] Social Security Account Number [redacted] date of birth [redacted]

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[REDACTED] may have additional information and may be a
witness to the shooting. [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED] Special Agent, United States Secret Service, date of birth [REDACTED] advised that he is permanently assigned to United States Secret Service Headquarters, Washington, D.C. [REDACTED] further stated that he is specifically assigned to the [REDACTED] and can be contacted at (202) [REDACTED] (b)(7)(C): (F)

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[REDACTED] explained that just prior to the shooting, he was looking towards the crowd when he first heard the sound of gunshots. [REDACTED] stated that he was approximately 15 yards from the area from which the shots came and that he was approximately 20 yards from President Reagan. [REDACTED] stated that he heard at least five and possibly six shots being fired in rapid succession and that these shots covered a period of possibly a second and a half to two seconds. [REDACTED] stated that after hearing the shots he looked towards President Reagan but did not see him. [REDACTED] stated that the next thing that he saw was two or three people closing in on an individual and forcing him against a wall and then to the ground. According to [REDACTED] he then went towards the area where the men were wrestling this individual to the ground, feeling that this possibly was the assailant. [REDACTED] stated that while the assailant was being subdued, he stood next to the assailant with his weapon drawn. After seeing that the assailant was under control, [REDACTED] stated that he holstered his weapon and moved toward another man who was lying on the sidewalk several feet away. [REDACTED] stated that he later realized (b)(7)(C): (F)

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this individual was James Brady, Assistant to the President. [redacted] stated that while he was attending to Brady, Special Agent [redacted] of the Presidential Detail, told [redacted] to secure a weapon that was lying on the sidewalk next to Brady. [redacted] stated that he straddled the weapon with his legs and stood over top of the weapon making sure that no one touched this weapon. [redacted] stated that within a short time, a Metropolitan Police Officer approached him and asked that the weapon over which he was standing was in fact the officer's service revolver. The Metropolitan Police Officer stated that he had dropped his weapon during the scuffle immediately after the shooting.

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[redacted] described this weapon as either a Smith & Wesson or Colt police-type revolver, 4-inch barrel with black grips and dark blue steel. [redacted] was unable to recall the name of the police officer, but described him as follows:

[redacted] stated that the officer showed him that his weapon was missing from his holster and so [redacted] allowed the officer to pick up the weapon and holster this weapon.

[redacted] stated that after this, he attempted to return to Brady until the ambulance arrived for Brady's removal to the hospital. [redacted] stated that he recalled when the paramedic arrived on the scene and after having spoken to Brady stated that, "This man is number two." [redacted] stated that this was in reference to the order in which the individuals would be attended to.

After Brady was taken by the attendants, [redacted] stated that he recovered a case which he recognized as a Service machine gun case and a black folder belonging to Special Agent [redacted], United States Secret Service. [redacted] advised that he gave these items to Special Agent [redacted].

[redacted] stated that at this point, he attempted to assist in controlling the crime scene area and was told by one of his supervisors to report to the Adams Room within the Washington Hilton Hotel.

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Special Agent, United States Secret Service (USSS), 1900 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., was interviewed by [redacted] and [redacted] (b)(7)(c):(F) who identified themselves as Special Agents (SAs) of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Also present during the interview were [redacted], USSS, [redacted] Metropolitan Police Department, and [redacted] Federal Bureau of Investigation.

SA [redacted] furnished the following information concerning his activities and observations on March 30, 1981, while assigned to the Protection Detail for President Ronald Reagan: (b)(7)(c):(F)

[redacted] This was at approximately 2:30 p.m. [redacted] was occupied with various tasks which he advised are usually performed prior to the departure of the President from any function. Those tasks included making sure the red lights were on, the siren control was on, and making sure the windows and doors were open. (b)(7)(c):(F)

There was a rope barricade, but some of the members of the press started moving in between the cars. [redacted] motioned [redacted] and [redacted] to get the press back. The press moved back to one side of the car and then he heard a series of pops. He did not know whether they were firecrackers, blanks or shots from a small caliber. (b)(7)(c):(F)

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weapon. The shots came from the hotel side, from his right. Everyone's attention was directed to that area. There was quite a bit of commotion going on and he was glancing around to the front and to the right. [REDACTED] saw the limousine door being closed, but did not see who was getting into the car. He did not see anyone fall, but did see Special Agent Tim McCarthy lying on the sidewalk. Assistant Special Agent in Charge [REDACTED] entered the follow-up car.

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[REDACTED] believed that at this time Special Agent [REDACTED] remained on the outside of the car. [REDACTED] handed SAIC [REDACTED] the microphone and drove away.

They travelled to the George Washington Hospital, in the car with [REDACTED] were SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. He advised that at no time did he handle any physical evidence either at the hotel or the hospital.

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Special Agent, United States Secret Service (USSS), 1800 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. (WDC), work telephone number [REDACTED] furnished the following information concerning her activities and observations on March 30, 1981, while assigned to the Presidential Protection Detail for President Ronald Reagan at the Washington Hilton Hotel, WDC. Also present during the interview were Detective [REDACTED], Metropolitan Police Department, WDC, Special Agent [REDACTED], USSS, and [REDACTED] Stenographer, Federal Bureau of Investigation. (b)(7)(c):(F)

[REDACTED] stated as follows:

"Special Agent [REDACTED] called and said they would be out shortly. I went up to the marked police car, which was our lead car and advised Sergeant [REDACTED] we were ready to go. I also told the motorcade we would be leaving shortly, at which point, they got on their bikes and got ready to leave. [REDACTED] said, 'We're coming out,' so I got into the police car, turned around and watched the door. Saw the President and his group come out of the VIP entrance of the hotel, watching them until I saw Agent Jim Carthy open the door. At that point, I assumed the President was getting into the car, so I turned around to make sure we were all ready. I heard shots fired. I turned around and saw one agent on the car and everyone else on the ground. I got out of the car and went down to the President's limousine to see if I could assist. I got to the car, saw the President inside and turned around to get to the lead car, which by this time had started to move so I jumped into our spare car. I told the driver to go. The President's limo took off. We fell in behind the Presidential limo. Within a few blocks, the follow-up passed us and got behind the Presidential limousine. [REDACTED] said we were going to the White House and we continued down Connecticut Avenue. At this point, the motorcade was pretty much together, the secure part. We were a block from Pennsylvania Avenue when [REDACTED], the President's limo driver, came on the air and said, 'Every-

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"We're going to George Washington Hospital." At that time, I called Sergeant [redacted] on the radio, which I'm sure [redacted] did not hear due to the heavy traffic on the MPD Radio. I told Mr. [redacted] my driver, to go ahead of the limousine, which we did. We got to Pennsylvania Avenue and we turned right to take the President's limo to the hospital. The police car continued straight because they didn't receive our radio communication about going to the hospital. We got to the hospital, the President went inside. I stayed outside to secure the outer perimeter and the cars. [redacted] came out with his arms full of clothes and shoes. I said these belong to the President, [redacted] wants us to keep these. The clothes consisted of navy blue pinstripe trousers, black leather belt, two blue socks, a pair of black shorts, a pair of black leather shoes and articles from his pocket, [redacted]. I never had the shirt. Those were the only articles I ever had. [redacted] didn't know that I didn't have the shirt until FBI Agent [redacted] requested to take possession of the President's belongings. [redacted] checked with [redacted] to see what we could do. [redacted] said yes, go ahead and give it to him and at that point, I wrote down all the articles on the list and gave them to FBI Agent [redacted].

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When [redacted] was asked about the clothes being transferred to a second and third vehicle, she stated, "I got the clothes from [redacted] and placed them into [redacted] when I was told we were going to switch cars. They wanted to take [redacted] back to the garage. When the new limo arrived, I took the clothes out of [redacted] and placed them into [redacted]. At a later time, I was advised we were changing cars again so when [redacted] arrived, I took the clothes from [redacted] and placed them in [redacted] which is where Agent [redacted] retrieved [redacted]."

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[redacted] was asked if she observed the suspect with the gun at the scene and she responded as follows: "When I turned around, people were already on him."

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[redacted] Special Agent with the United States Secret Service (USSS), Presidential Protective Division, assigned to the White House, was interviewed at the Washington Field Office, 1900 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., by SA's [redacted] who identified themselves as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Also present were Detective [redacted], Homicide, Metropolitan Police Department, and [redacted] Special Agent, United States Secret Service. Mr. [redacted] voluntarily provided the following information: D.C.

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On March 30, 1981, [redacted] advised he was assigned as [redacted] for President Ronald Reagan's appearance at the Washington Hilton Hotel, where Reagan addressed the Building and Construction Trades Union (AFL-CIO) in the International room.

At the conclusion of the speech, [redacted] and Special Agent in Charge [redacted], lead the Presidential Party to the VIP Elevator. He advised that the Party consisted of the Hotel Security Chief [redacted], President, [redacted], Lieutenant Colonel [redacted] United States Army (Vary Aide), [redacted]

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There were several other members of the White House staff present on the elevator. Prior to exiting the elevator, [redacted]

He was the first person to exit the elevator and lead the Party out of the VIP exit on the 7 Street side of the hotel.

Upon exiting from the hotel, [redacted] advised that he first saw Special Agent Tim McCarthy who was assigned to [redacted]. Once out

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[redacted] looked left and observed a small crowd of several police, news media persons, and the general public. [redacted] advised that stanchions had been set up with police on the President's side and the news media and public on the other side of the stanchions. [redacted] walked down the sidewalk to the left to get out of the Presidential Party's way, and then turned and looked to his left to determine the relative position of the President.

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██████ advised that at that point he heard rapid, sporadic noises that initially sounded to him like firecrackers and then he realized that they were gun shots. ██████ stated that these noises were mixed with normal crowd noises and yelling. According to ██████ the last shots seemed to be more pronounced and produced a sharp pain in his right ear, which momentarily stunned him.

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██████ advised that at this point, the sequence of the events were difficult to recall. He saw Secret Service agents' guns drawn and movement from the crowd at the stanchions, however, he never saw the person who had fired the shots. He then observed Agent McCarthy lying on the ground and heard him say "I'm hit." He then observed the Presidential limousine right rear door window, which appeared to have been partially shattered by a bullet. He then looked around to see if anyone else had been hit and saw a heavy-set individual lying on the ground who was being administered to by the people on the scene. ██████ then observed that a police officer was down.

According to ██████ he immediately tried to radio for an ambulance. After not seeing the ambulance, he ran up the driveway near the entrance and beckoned the ambulances to come to his location. He assisted by directing the ambulance into the scene. ██████ advised that Agent McCarthy left in the first ambulance and other ambulances then arrived and took the other two wounded individuals.

██████ stated that he remained on the scene and contacted the Secret Service Security Room at the hotel to make sure that the appropriate notifications had been made.

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[redacted] Special Agent, United States Secret Service, Washington, D.C. (WDC), advised that he has been assigned to the Presidential Detail since October, 1979. [redacted] furnished his work telephone number as (202) [redacted] advised that his specific job is working

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[redacted] stated that after President Reagan made his presentation at the AFL-CIO conference at The Washington Hilton Hotel, 1519 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., WDC, President Reagan and the Presidential Detail were scheduled to exit the hotel through the V.I.P. exit of that hotel. [redacted] advised that upon leaving the auditorium, he was directly ahead of President Reagan and the Presidential Detail and

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According to [redacted] upon exiting the doors of the V.I.P. exit, he moved slightly to the right of President Reagan while President Reagan headed directly toward the Presidential Limousine. [redacted] stated that he was double checking the crowd when he first heard a cluster of shots being fired. [redacted] explained that there appeared to be at least four or five shots fired from an unknown direction. [redacted] explained that to the best of his knowledge, the shots were fired within a span of time ranging from two to three seconds.

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[redacted] advised that he neither saw the assailant nor the weapon which may have been involved in the assault in that he was shoved out of the way by an unknown individual.

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stated that when he looked towards the Presidential line the right rear door was closed and that he observed a shattered window in that right rear door. [redacted] advised that at no time did he observe the President after hearing shots.

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According to [redacted], he then attempted to make contact with Special Agent [redacted] in order

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[redacted] further stated that he attempted to make radio contact with Special Agent [redacted] within the area. [redacted] stated that he did not receive any replies to his call and was not certain whether or not his transmissions were received. [redacted] stated that [redacted] went around the corner of the hotel and motioned an ambulance service sitting at the top of the hill to move into the area of the assault. [redacted] stated that the

[redacted] stated that at first he did not recognize individuals who were laying on the sidewalk near the site of the shooting, but that he did recognize Special Agent Timothy McCarthy, United States Secret Service, as one of the shooting victims. [redacted] advised that Special Agent [redacted] was assigned to the Presidential Detail and that his specific function was [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that he saw a small group of people attempting to restrain an individual whom he believed to be the assailant and that Special Agent [redacted] was assisting in restraining this individual. [redacted] also stated that Special Agent [redacted] also assisted in restraining this individual and subsequently placing the individual in a Metropolitan Police Cruiser.

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[redacted] stated that he approached Special Agent [redacted] Lightsey and that [redacted] showed him a weapon which [redacted] placed inside a black vinyl type note pad. The weapon

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At this time had a handcuff placed through the trigger
and that [REDACTED] indicated that this could possibly
be the weapon used by the assailant.

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Mr. [REDACTED], Special Agent (SA), Special Investigative Division, Washington Field Office, United States Secret Service, 1900 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D.C. (WDC), business telephone number [REDACTED] was advised of the identities of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] as SAs of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). Also present during the interview were Mr. [REDACTED] SA, U.S. Secret Service and [REDACTED] SA, U.S. Secret Service. After the purpose of the interview was explained, Mr. [REDACTED] provided the following information:

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On March 30, 1981, at the Washington Hilton Hotel,

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After three to three and one-half minutes, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] in this case President Reagan. [REDACTED] left his post and went up a hallway and stairs to the "VIP" exit which had been used by President Reagan to enter and leave the hotel.

When Mr. [REDACTED] stepped outside, he noted the residential limousine had left the area. There was no suspect still in the area but three injured people were being attended on the sidewalk. Very shortly, ambulances arrived and the wounded were transported from the area.

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As the situation seemed to be under control and no assistance was not needed, Mr. [REDACTED] stood in the general area for approximately seven to eight minutes before he was ordered to report to the "briefing room" which was a room designated inside the hotel. Mr. [REDACTED] spent these seven to eight minutes talking with fellow Secret Service Agents.

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home telephone [redacted]
employed by the Uniform Division, United States Secret
Service (USSS), 1301 L Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.
(WDC), advised he was assigned [redacted]

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[REDACTED] on the afternoon of March 30,
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Officer [REDACTED] stated he did not see any of the action. He heard the shots, reached for his rifle, and his view from the edge at that time was the Presidential limousine or its back up pulling away on T Street, N.W., and three people were down on the sidewalk. Officer [REDACTED] the first warning of trouble was the sound of gunfire.

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[redacted] Special Agent of the
United States Secret Service (USSS), assigned to the Secret
Service Washington Field Office [redacted] was
interviewed at the Washington Field Office, USSS, 1900 Pennsylvania
Avenue, N.W., by SA's [redacted] and [redacted]
who identified themselves as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau
of Investigation. Also present at the interview were Detective
[redacted] Homicide, Metropolitan Police Department, and
[redacted] Special Agent, United States Secret Service. Mr.
[redacted] voluntarily provided the following information:

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[redacted] At that time, [redacted]
[redacted] At that time, [redacted]
[redacted] followed the exit route that the President had just taken
[redacted] until he, [redacted] exited the hotel door through the door the
President had just departed from.

At this time, [redacted] noticed the general confusion
inside. He had not heard any shots, nor had he heard any
radio traffic to indicate there had been an incident. [redacted]
by three people on the ground, including one uniformed police
officer. [redacted] then saw Special Agent [redacted] of the Secret
Service with the Uzi submachine gun pointed up in the air with
[redacted] back to the Washington Hilton Hotel main entrance. [redacted] stated
that he initially drew his gun, realized that the Presidential
cortcade was gone, put his gun back in his holster and started
move toward Special Agent [redacted] [redacted] then saw that
Special Agent [redacted] had pinned someone against the wall.
[redacted] got to Special Agent [redacted] he saw a blue
steel small caliber revolver with round butt and wooden hand
[redacted] lying on the ground. [redacted] advised he initially started
to pick up the gun, but there was another Secret Service Agent
[redacted] there who picked the gun up with his handcuffs through the
finger guard.

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[redacted] continued to where Special Agent [redacted] as. About that time, [redacted] advised a Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) car had pulled up to the edge of the curb. [redacted] helped move the white male from his position against the wall, where they had him pinned, to the MPD car. [redacted] advised that they could not open the back door of the MPD car that pulled up. Almost simultaneously, another MPD car pulled up to the curb and they moved the suspect to this MPD car, put him in the back seat, and Special Agent [redacted] got into the back seat on the right hand side and they shut the door.

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[redacted] then returned to where the three men were on the ground and recognized one of them as Special Agent McCarthy, who was the furthest from the main entrance; a uniformed police officer lying next to McCarthy; and another man in a suit who was lying on his back close to the main entrance. [redacted] advised that he did not initially recognize the man in the suit because kerchiefs had been placed over the man's head. According to Higgins, the police officer was obviously in pain and was making loud groaning noises as someone attempted to move him. Higgins stated that at that time the first ambulance pulled

When the stretcher arrived, [redacted] and others picked up Special Agent McCarthy, placed him on the stretcher, rolled it to the ambulance, and lifted it in the rear of the ambulance, which then departed. [redacted] then went back to where the other men were lying and the second ambulance arrived. [redacted] stated that because the uniformed police officer was seriously injured but still conscious, a decision was made to place the individual shot in the head into the second ambulance.

[redacted] advised that he and several others put this individual on the stretcher, rolled it to the rear of the second ambulance, and placed the stretcher in the rear of the ambulance. [redacted] advised that initially there was no one in the rear of the ambulance going with this victim. He climbed into the back of the ambulance along with a White House staff person whose name he did not recall, though he recognized him from having worked with him during the Campaign and during the Inauguration. Also in the ambulance were two ambulance attendants. According to Higgins, one of them was in the back with the victim. [redacted] recognized at that point as Mr. Brady. [redacted] stated that the attendant in the back told the driver to go to Washington Hospital Center and the driver responded saying that he was unfamiliar with the area and was not

are how to get there. At this time, [redacted] climbed to the front of the ambulance and told them that they were going to the George Washington University Hospital because he knew it was [redacted] and also because he knew it was much closer than the Washington Hospital Center.

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[redacted] advised that they initially had to back the ambulance up because traffic had blocked the north departure on T Street. They then turned back and took the Connecticut Avenue-Florida Avenue route to Third Street to Washington Circle and then to the George Washington University Hospital. When they got to George Washington University Hospital, [redacted] advised that the first ambulance was still there at the emergency entrance although they had unloaded the victim. He then went into the emergency room and was met there by other Secret Service agents who had preceded him there in a route car and the first ambulance.

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For the next few minutes, [redacted] assisted others in setting and maintaining the security in the Emergency Room. Then, because the President was to be taken to the Operating Room, Special Agent [redacted] and [redacted] were directed by Special Agent [redacted] to go to the operating room area where he and [redacted] dressed in surgical green clothing and determined which operating rooms were to be used. [redacted] advised that shortly thereafter Special Agent Tim McCarthy was brought around and placed in operating room number five; the President was brought and taken to operating room number [redacted]; and Mr. Brady was taken to operating room number four. [redacted] then remained in operating room number two with the President until the operation was over.

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While [redacted] was there, [redacted]

[redacted] advised that other personnel present in the Operating Room over the course of the operation were Special Agent [redacted], Special Agent [redacted], [redacted], and Assistant Director [redacted], Dr. [redacted] and [redacted].

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[redacted] assisted the operation and removed the bullet. According to [redacted] the bullet was then passed to Special Agent [redacted] who placed it in a plastic container which was marked as containing evidence. The President was rolled out of the hospital Operating Room at 6:45 p.m. to the Recovery Room. At that point, [redacted] followed them to

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the Recovery Room, then changed his clothes and returned
to the Washington Field Office of the Secret Service.

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[redacted], Special Agent, United States Secret Service, Washington Field Office, 1900 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C., telephone 634-3100, was interviewed at the Washington Hilton Hotel, 1212 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C. [redacted] advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and the nature of the inquiry. He thereafter provided the following information:

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[redacted] stated that he picked up his wife and son for March 30, 1971, at approximately 11:00 A. M. on that date. He stated that he proceeded to the Washington Hilton Hotel in a carpool with other Agents. He stated that he reported to the Main Room of the hotel at about [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that he saw the white van (frequency) and the car radio tuned to (frequency) stated that at 2:00 p.m., he heard from [redacted] fellow Secret Service Agent, that the party would be departing. He stated that the next thing he saw was four or five shots in rapid succession. He stated that he heard [redacted] that there was an attack on the principal in connection to the [redacted]. He stated that at that point, he ran to the top of the runway waving his hand. [redacted] was calling for an ambulance. He stated that Special Agent [redacted] ordered the [redacted] to the hospital.

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[REDACTED] stated that he sent the ambulance to site immediately and got into the back of the limousine. He stated that by the time he got to the ramp, he saw people lying on the ground. He stated that he saw a male with a head wound on the ground, who was identified at Press Secretary's party. He stated he also saw a Special Agent of the Secret Service on the ground, and a Police Officer. He stated that the first thing he did was to move two news crows back out the way. He then called for another ambulance. He stated that he stayed to assist until the last ambulance left.

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He stated that he was not in a position to see the assailant at the time of the incident.

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 [redacted] Special Agent, Washington Field Office,
 States Secret Service, telephone number 634-5100, provided
 listed Special Agent (SA) of the Federal Bureau of In-
 vestigation (FBI) with the following information:

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[redacted] advised at the time of the shooting his post was

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[redacted] notification of the shooting, but when he arrived at the site
 shooting, everything was over. He assisted in crowd control
 accompanied Detective [redacted], Third District, Metro-
 Police Department, Washington, D.C., with a witness (war
 [redacted] who was behind the suspect) to Third District and then
 back to the Secret Service Command Post at the Hilton.

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Service, [redacted] was interviewed at the Washington Hotel, 1900 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., Washington, D.C. He was advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and the nature of the inquiry. He thereafter provided the following information:

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[redacted] stated that about 2:25 p.m. or 2:25 p.m. he was walking up the steps towards the VII area, he heard a shot and that there had been an incident. He stated that he got outside, there were three people on the ground. He stated that to his left, there was a wall by the exit, where he saw at least one person of the United States Secret Service, and several to be six or seven other people wrestling with the ground. He stated he could only identify this individual to determine that he was a

He stated that he looked down on the ground and saw a gun lying there. He said that the gun had been fired and at that point, he reached down with his hands and picked the gun out of the way. He stated that he looked around to see if there were any more people in the shooting incident, but saw none. He stated that at that point he tried to assist the people who were lying on the ground by administering first aid.

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3a stated that he then turned custody of the gun to Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (b)(7)(c)(F). Those Special Agents were [redacted] and [redacted]. 3a stated that prior to turning the gun over, he put his initials on the side of the hammer. 3a stated he received a receipt for the gun.

3a described the gun as follows:

A black revolver with brown plastic handle, shot, Model R.G. 14, .22 caliber, LR, enscribed with the serial number L731332, R 3 I.D., Miami, Florida.

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[redacted] Secret Service, White House, Washington, D.C. (WDC), 20500, work telephone number [redacted] home address [redacted] home telephone number [redacted] provided the following information to the interviewing agents:

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[redacted] stated that he will have been with the Secret Service six years June 1981 and has been detailed to protect the President of the United States for the last year and three months. [redacted] stated that on March 30, 1981,

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[redacted] stated that the [redacted] was at the Washington Hilton, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., WDC, [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that the President left the White House en route to the Washington Hilton at approximately 1:50 p.m. and arrived at the hotel at approximately 1:55 to 1:56 p.m.

[redacted] stated that the detail took the positions and they exited normally, and the crowd appeared normal. Upon arrival at the hotel he was escorted into the VIP entrance with no problems.

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At approximately 2:25 p.m. the President exited the hotel and was proceeded through the exit by the advance team. Littlejohn stated he looked across the street, which appeared normal, and went to his position on the limousine.

[redacted] stated when he heard the shots fired, he saw his revolver and knew that the shots were coming from the rear. [redacted] stated he knew other agents were assisting the President and began looking around for versions. [redacted] stated he saw [redacted] Special Agent in Charge, Secret Service, placed the President into the limousine. At this time [redacted] went to assist the

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ts who were apprehending the suspect.

██████████ stated he was holding on to the suspect
saw the revolver on the ground to his left. ██████████
ed the gun appeared to be a starter pistol and that
called to all the law enforcement agents in the area
to touch it.

██████████ stated himself, Special Agent ██████████
Special Agent ██████████ and MPD Officer ██████████
transported the subject to the MPD Central Cellblock.
red lights and siren. ██████████ stated that the
ect was advised of his rights by Special Agent ██████████
he Central Cellblock.

██████████ stated when the suspect was brought to
Homicide Squad, MPD, he advised the MPD officers not
alk or touch the suspect and that he put him in a
ing cell.

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[redacted], Special Agent, United States Secret Service (USSS), 1900 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. (WDC), telephone number [redacted] furnished the following information concerning his activities and observations on March 30, 1981, while assigned to the Presidential Protection Detail (PPD) for President Ronald Reagan at the Washington Hilton Hotel. Also present during this interview were Detective [redacted], Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), WDC, Special Agent [redacted], USSS, and [redacted] Stenographer, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

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[redacted] stated as follows:

"I was the first one to move outside the Washington Hilton. I came out about 2:25 p.m. [redacted]"

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[redacted] When I exited the building I looked across the street, "T" Street, everything seemed calm. To the left was the news media and the crowd and the right was cleared except for authorized personnel. I looked over my shoulder at the wall where an additional crowd had gathered. I didn't notice an MPD officer. Everything was in order.

[redacted] As the President came out of the Washington Hilton, I looked over my shoulder and saw the President with other agents heading toward the limousine. I turned back around. A couple of news media people were out of position so I asked them to go back. I heard shots in the succession. I turned around upon hearing a shot or shots. I saw the President being thrown into the limousine. The first shots went off, I pivoted and drew my weapon. Shots had come from behind me. I started back towards the rear of the limousine. While going back, I looked over my shoulder to make sure nothing was coming from the front. I realized that no additional attack was coming from the front. As the limo left rear fender, I saw two bodies on the sidewalk.

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"I proceeded toward the suspect, grabbed his wrists. They had the cuffs on his left wrist but couldn't get them completely on. I forced his wrists together so that the cuffs could be placed on his right wrist. I glanced down and saw what I believed to be the weapon used lying to my left against the wall. I yelled to Agent [redacted] telling him the gun was against the wall and to stand on it. Myself and other agents and MPD officers then called for MPD cruiser and waited for it to come. By that time the President's limo and other vehicles had departed. The MPD cruiser came and we picked the suspect up off the ground and carried him to the MPD cruiser. We attempted to place the subject in the left side, but the door would not open. A second cruiser came by and we switched to the right side and proceeded to place the subject in the back seat. Seated in the rear of the cruiser was [redacted] followed by the suspect who was followed by [redacted]. Once the door was closed, I jumped in the front seat of the MPD cruiser and took off, requesting the officer to use lights and siren. I requested to go directly to Central Cell Block and request additional MPD officers to be at Central Cell Block. At the same time, [redacted] (b)(7)(C)(F)

"When we arrived at Central Cell Block, 300 Indiana Avenue, N.W., we took the suspect into Central Cell Block. First making sure no other persons were being held in other cells, we then took the suspect into the cell block area. Suspect was given his rights verbally by [redacted] which was witnessed by myself and Danny Spriggs. We did a body search. Upon completion of search, the suspect was put in the first cell. [redacted] maintained constant eye contact with the suspect while he was in the cell. Seeing that everything was secure, I called back to [redacted] and verified that a MPD Supervisor and additional ID team were on their way and inquired as to whether the FBI had been contacted. MPD Homicide detectives then arranged to have suspect relocated to Room 3032 of the same building where [redacted] and [redacted] remained with the suspect at all times. (b)(7)(C)(F) (b)(2)

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After about 45 seconds, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] This means an attack had been made on the "principal", in this case President Reagan. [REDACTED] ran up the nearby steps to the street level, and the "VIP" entrance. This was the entrance through which President Reagan entered and left the hotel for his speech. (b)(2) (b)(7)(C):(E) (F)

[REDACTED] first noted people "down" on the sidewalk and a group of people grappling with an unknown individual. Immediately, [REDACTED] checked to see if one of the people lying on the sidewalk was President Reagan and this did not appear to be the case. [REDACTED] remembers he did note that one of the individuals on the sidewalk was a police officer from the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD). After noting a crowd of individuals had secured a suspect and each of the wounded lying on the nearby sidewalk had sufficient persons aiding them, [REDACTED] began crowd control. Helping [REDACTED] with crowd control were other Agents of the U.S. Secret Service including [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. (b)(7)(C):(F) D.C.

[REDACTED] continued his crowd control efforts until things became more under control and the work of crowd control was taken over by Officers of MPD.

While trying to maintain crowd control, [REDACTED] noticed a revolver lying approximately three inches from the wall near where the suspect was taken into custody. [REDACTED] heard Secret Service Agents saying, "Don't touch it," as they referred to the weapon. A minute or so later, SA [REDACTED] used his handcuffs to pick up the weapon without touching it. [REDACTED] also noted that SA [REDACTED] put the weapon in a black notebook type folder.

[REDACTED] remembers that many people, including people with cameras, were quite persistent in trying to get close to the scene in order to take pictures. [REDACTED] did allow a priest to enter the area after [REDACTED] recognized the priest as one who had met with President Reagan in the holding room in the hotel prior to the President's speech.

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On April 6, 1981, Special Agent TIMOTHY J. MC CARTHY, U. S. Secret Service (USSS), Presidential Detail, was advised of the identities of Special Agents (SAs) [redacted] and [redacted]. MC CARTHY was interviewed at the George Washington University Hospital, WDC, where he was recuperating from a gunshot wound sustained March 30, 1981. Also present during interview was Special Agent [redacted] USSS. The purpose of the interview was explained to SA MC CARTHY and he provided the following information:

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On March 30, 1981, he was assigned to the Presidential Detail. On that date, President REAGAN was scheduled to give a speech at the Washington Hilton, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N. W. MC CARTHY said he was assigned [redacted]

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On this occasion the follow-up car was directly behind the Presidential limousine when it stopped at the Presidential exit or entrance at the Washington Hilton. MC CARTHY said normal procedures were followed upon arrival at the hotel.

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At this time SA [redacted] asked SA MC CARTHY if he might sketch the arrival at the hotel in order to better describe the situation. SA MC CARTHY proceeded to sketch the arrival and explained [redacted]

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entering the hotel he and the other Secret Service Agents escorted the President to the elevator. [REDACTED] (b)(7)(C)(E)(F)

[REDACTED] He looked in the elevator briefly, then the President, some of his staff, and the Special Agent in Charge, Presidential Protection Division, [REDACTED] got into the elevator and rode it to the level in which the President was to make his speech. [REDACTED] (b)(7)(C)

SA [REDACTED] MC CARTHY said after escorting the President to the stage, he [REDACTED]

After the President finished his speech, the same procedures were utilized in exiting the hotel. He preceded the President out the Presidential exit and went directly to the Presidential limousine. At this time SA MC CARTHY was asked to sketch his departure from the hotel. MC CARTHY explained [REDACTED] (b)(7)(E)

[REDACTED] He saw the President to his right forward approximately eight to nine feet away. Simultaneously with his opening the door and seeing the President, he began to rotate toward the hotel. As he was facing the Presidential entrance, he heard what he believed to be a gunshot. MC CARTHY believed the shot had come from the area where the TV cameras were located so he continued to pivot in that direction. He noticed two shoulder-held television cameras as he turned to face the direction from which the shot had come. MC CARTHY said he began to spread his body to better shield the President. As he pivoted he heard 2 more shots and believed the third shot struck him. The shot that hit him spun him around, and he fell to the pavement. SA MC CARTHY said he was conscious throughout the incident and thought he heard three more shots after hitting the pavement. SA MC CARTHY thought he heard a total of six shots fired. While on the ground he heard through his earpiece that the President was all right, and subsequently heard the President was being taken to the hospital. SA MC CARTHY said he could see the Presidential limousine depart the area and could hear the scuffling going on behind him.

SA MC CARTHY said he had noticed nothing unusual as he exited the hotel. He did recall seeing a Metropolitan Police officer, perhaps wearing a helmet, by the area of the press. SA MC CARTHY said this area was roped off from the wall of the hotel to the sidewalk, and a crowd had also built up in that general area as well. Again nothing unusual was observed upon exiting the Hilton. SA MC CARTHY recalled someone identify himself as a paramedic, and applied a gauze pad to his wound.

SA MC CARTHY said he did not see the assailant but believed the shots fired came from the direction of the television cameras. He said he had seen a blurred photograph in the newspaper of JOHN HINCKLEY but does not recall seeing such an individual at the hotel that day. MC CARTHY felt he probably could not identify HINCKLEY if shown a photographic spread. He has not seen any taped version of the shooting and just began watching television Saturday, April 4, 1981. MC CARTHY admitted seeing some still photographs in the newspaper but nothing he saw would have influenced his recollection of the incident that took place. SA MC CARTHY was asked if he could recall who accompanied him during the escort of the President to the Hilton Hotel. MC CARTHY said [REDACTED] (b)(7)(c): (F)

[REDACTED] all Secret Service Agents, were on the scene at the Hilton Hotel for the arrival of the President. MC CARTHY said upon his departure from the hotel he actually saw the President. [REDACTED]

MC CARTHY was then asked if he had discussed the incident in detail with anyone prior to the interview currently being conducted. SA MC CARTHY wrote down the names of [REDACTED]

those individuals he had discussed this matter with in detail. SA MC CARTHY was asked if he could recall anything else that might have been overlooked. SA MC CARTHY said he did recall seeing [REDACTED] with a Uzi sub-machine gun after the shooting. MC CARTHY reiterated that his recollection of the events just described came from what he saw and had not been influenced by any conversations, newspapers, or television.

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SA MC CARTHY provided the following descriptive data concerning himself:

Name:

Assignment:

Telephone:

Residence:

TIMOTHY J. MC CARTHY
U. S. Secret Service
Presidential Detail
since February, 1979
Washington, D. C.

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Date of transcription 4/10/81

[REDACTED] Special Agent, United States Secret Service (USSS), 1900 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., was interviewed this date by Special Agents (SAs) [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] who identified themselves as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). Also present during the interview were: [REDACTED] USSS, [REDACTED] Washington Metropolitan Police Department and [REDACTED] Stenographer, FBI.)

[REDACTED] provided the following information concerning his activities and observations on March 30, 1981, while assigned to the Protection Detail for President Ronald Reagan:

The President had just finished addressing a conference of the AF of L-CIO at the Washington Hilton Hotel at 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. (WDC). The Presidential party and U.S. Secret Service contingent left through the VIP entrance of the hotel at approximately 2:30 p.m.

As the party walked out of the VIP entrance of the hotel [REDACTED] was preceding the President. He moved to the rear of the Presidential limousine and began clearing a few of the press people away from the limousine. He then remembered looking back to see where the President was, but did not recall now whether the limousine door was open or closed. He saw Special Agent McCarthy, [REDACTED] all in the immediate vicinity of the President. At this point he was preoccupied with the task of clearing the press people away from the President's limousine. Several seconds had now elapsed. He had his back to the President and was looking toward the crowd in the press area when he heard a number of noises. These noises sounded as though they could have been shots from a small caliber weapon or firecrackers. He then focused his attention on the area in the crowd from where the shots had come. He saw a gun, a gun which he thought at the time may have been a starter pistol or small caliber weapon. It was blue or black in color. He saw a gun and the arm of the individual holding it but did not see the individual's face, just a blur. At that time people were grabbing the person he thought was the assailant. He thought, for some reason, the assailant was male. It appeared the individual was being forced down

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SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]and [REDACTED] Date: [REDACTED]

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to the ground.

[redacted] primary concern at this time was the President. He moved to the left hand or driver's side of the limousine. He crouched down behind the limousine then looked over the top of the car. He did not see anyone go down or get shot and did not know at that time whether the shots he had heard were from a real gun or if the incident had been some sort of prank. He was next to the Presidential limousine on the driver's side when it departed from its parked position. He ran along side the limousine as it made its way up the street. He then returned to the follow-up car and rode in the follow-up car to the George Washington Hospital. (b)(7)(C):(E) (F)

He assumed Special Agent Tim McCarthy went to the hospital at the same time as the President. At the emergency room of the hospital he stayed with McCarthy. He received all his property and subsequently turned this property over to Lieutenant [redacted] of the Washington Metropolitan Police Department. (b)(7)(C):(F) Y

[redacted] did not see any shots actually fired and did not handle any evidence besides the property of SA McCarthy. He did not draw his weapon during the incident. He did not know the President had been shot until he arrived at the hospital.

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[redacted] Special Agent (SA), United States Secret Service (USSS), 1700 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., was interviewed by [redacted] and [redacted], who identified themselves as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Also present during the interview were [redacted] USSS, [redacted] Metropolitan Police Department, and [redacted] Federal Bureau of Investigation. (b)(7)(C)

SA [redacted] furnished the following information concerning his activities and observations on March 30, 1981, while assigned to the Protection Detail for President Ronald Reagan: (b)(7)(C)(F)

[redacted] (b)(7)(C)(F)

SA [redacted] arrived at the Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., approximately [redacted] The President arrived and entered the Hilton Hotel at about 1:50 p.m. (b)(7)(C)(F)

After his presentation at the AF of L-CIO Conference, the President and his party began to exit the hotel via the VIP entrance. [redacted] (b)(7)(C)(F)

He was watching the crowd and after several seconds had elapsed he heard roughly four quick pops that sounded like gun shots. The shots sounded as if they had come from a small caliber weapon or perhaps firecrackers. He immediately drew his attention toward the Presidential limousine, and proceeded to that area. He saw SA [redacted] putting the President into the limousine, covering the President with his body. SA [redacted] then turned to the area from where he believed the shots had come. This was an area composed of press and public that had been sectioned off by some type of barricade. He saw someone being subdued in this area but did not see, and could not (b)(7)(C)(F)

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(b)(7)(c):F

Describe the individual who was being subdued. He saw just a mass of people. At this point he turned his attention back to the Presidential limousine and saw it leaving the area. The limousine proceeded up the street and took a right turn on Connecticut Avenue. SA [redacted] was with the President in the limousine. SA Tim McCarthy was the only person [redacted] remembered seeing on the ground and at this point had no idea what condition the President was in. During the course of the incident, which as he recalled lasted only seconds, he drew his handgun but did not fire.

Subsequent to seeing the Presidential limousine leave the scene, [redacted] entered the follow-up car and proceeded to the George Washington University Hospital. In the follow-up car with him were the driver, [redacted] and [redacted].

During the duration of the incident he saw no gun being fired and did not see the alleged assailant nor did he handle or witness any evidence being handled.

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Special Agent (SA), United States Secret Service (USSS), Washington Field Office, 1900 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., telephone [redacted] provided the following information concerning his activities on March 30, 1981, while at the Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.:

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After the Presidential party had departed the ballroom, he remained at his post. When he heard, over the radio frequency, that there had been an [redacted]

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[redacted] and proceeded out the main doors of the T Street terrace level onto the sidewalk. He saw that the President's limousine and motorcade had departed. A group of police officers and Secret Service Agents were still struggling with, he presumed, the suspect, and had him down on the ground. He saw two bodies lying near a drain grating and saw SA McCarthy lying further up the sidewalk.

He immediately began to assist in crowd control. He was primarily interested in keeping spectators outside the area of activity in order to protect the integrity of the crime scene. As a result, his back was turned to the activity, and he was facing the Hilton's main T. Street entrance.

When he first came out onto the sidewalk, he observed a revolver lying on the drain grating, near the head of one of the victims, later determined to be Press Secretary Brady. The revolver was pointing off the sidewalk toward the street.

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When he first saw the revolver, he thought it was the suspect's gun. Shortly after he arrived on the scene, however, he saw Secret Service SA [REDACTED] was carrying the suspect's revolver in a black notebook-type folder, with handcuffs inserted through the revolver's trigger guard. Since the revolver that was lying on the grating had a large frame, he assumed it belonged to one of the police officers or Secret Service Agents.

He later glanced behind him and realized the revolver was no longer there. He did not know who had removed it, since his back was turned to this area. As previously stated, he was primarily concerned that the crowd stay back from the area and that any potential items of evidence remain in place. He first became aware that the revolver had been removed when he glanced behind him and saw that Brady's wound was being dressed.

Eventually, all the spectators were cleared from the vicinity, and the police roped off the crime scene area. Following this, he reentered the Hilton.

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 [redacted] Special Agent, United States Secret Service (USSS), 1900 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. (WDC), telephone number- (202) [redacted] furnished the following information concerning his activities and observations on March 30, 1981, while assigned to the Protection Detail for President Ronald Reagan at the Washington Hilton Hotel, WDC. (b)(7)(c) (1)
 Also present were Detective [redacted] Metropolitan Police Department, WDC, Special Agent [redacted] USSS, and [redacted] Stenographer, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).
 [redacted] stated as follows:

"We emerged from the VIP entrance of the hotel. I'm not sure exactly what time. It was it seems about 2:25 p.m. or 2:30 p.m., I'm not sure. I was walking directly behind the President, about 13 to 24 inches from him, not directly in back of him, but a little to his right. I sort of guided the President toward the opened door of the limousine. Agent [redacted] to Carthy had opened it. We were, I suppose, three or four feet from the limousine when I heard what sounded like firecrackers or a small caliber weapon. I heard one shot. There was a short interval then three or four other shots. My reaction was instantly to shove the President forward into the limousine. I landed on top of him. He landed between the seats so that his chest hit the transmission hump, with his head on the seat part. I heard [redacted] close the door behind me. I asked the President if he had been hit, he said, 'I don't think so, but I think I hurt my chest when you landed on top of me.' I pushed him up but, he got up himself. I helped him to a sitting position on the right rear seat. I told [redacted] let's get out of here now! The car started moving. I ran my hands over the President's body and looked at him. His color was good. He said something to the effect, 'I don't think I'm hurt. I could have hurt a rib when you landed on top of me.' By that time, we had made a left turn on Connecticut Avenue, going south.

As we were leaving the scene, I saw two things. I saw bullet damage to the window and glancing back, saw two people on the ground. At that time, I got on the radio and said it looks like [redacted] is okay. Primarily for the following

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up crews, called [redacted] We really were moving quite rapidly at that time. The President said, "I'm having trouble breathing and I think I got the inside of my mouth." I looked at him and he started to change color a bit, but he seemed okay. I was not sure of anything, I made a decision. I told [redacted] to head for the emergency entrance at George Washington Hospital. During this time, I continually tried to find some place he had been hit. I could find nothing. I knew if he had a cut inside his lip, it was pretty bad. [redacted] made a right turn on Pennsylvania Avenue, around the Washington Circle into the emergency entrance. I opened the door, the President got out and I helped him. He walked to the door. I yelled, this is the President, let's get to the emergency room. He talked to the people, made a few remarks to them and started to get weak.

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We took the President immediately to the emergency room. By that time, the trauma people were taking his clothes off. I stayed with [redacted] and told him to set up a security perimeter. When they took his shirt off, the President was bleeding on his left side, but not very bad, not enough to have gone through his clothes so I could have felt it. They hooked him up with medical equipment, stayed there about 15 or 20 minutes, did X-rays, and brought them back. He had some kind of bullet wound.

They took him to the operating room. By that time, several agents had secured the area and Mrs. Reagan had arrived and talked to him. He was conscious the entire time until he was in the operating room, when they put him under anesthesia.

Mr. [redacted] was asked if he knew what had happened to the President's shirt and he responded, "What happened was they ripped his shirt and pants off him, rendered him totally naked, threw the clothes in a pile at his feet on the floor. His shirt was shredded. Sometime around fifteen minutes after this, I noticed the clothes on the floor. I remember shoes, pants and socks. I gave them to an agent, maybe Special Agent [redacted] and said don't let these get out of your sight. I don't recall a T-shirt. He did have jockey underwear, but there was so many people, such a confused moment. I wanted to make sure no one else would harm the President. I secured the area and I stayed with him up through the operation when he went into the recovery room a few minutes ago. I did not see the suspect. I didn't know Brady had been hit until I got to the hospital."

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Special Agent (SA), [redacted]
 United States Secret Service, [redacted]
 G Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., telephone number [redacted] (b)(7)(c)(F)
 provided SA [redacted] Federal Bureau of Investiga-
 tion (FBI), with the following information:

[redacted] advised that when the assault occurred, he was
 [redacted] (b)(7)(c)(F)
 [redacted] and announce.
 and a Milton employee came into [redacted] and announce.
 there had been a shooting outside. [redacted] went to the depart-
 ure site and assisted with crowd control until all the injured
 were removed. (F)

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[redacted] employed by the Uniform
Division, United States Secret Service (USSS), 1301 L Street,
N.W., Washington, D. C. (WDC), advised he was assigned the
duty on March 30, 1981. [redacted]

Officer [redacted]
he heard gunshots. [redacted]

He observed one
Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) Officer on the ground,
based on the uniform he wore. He then immediately began
scanning the area for the assailant. Officer [redacted] stated
[redacted] was not
aware that the assailant was in custody.

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SA [redacted]

per [redacted]

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[redacted] Assistant to the Special Agent In-Charge, United States Secret Service (USSS), 1900 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., was interviewed by [redacted] and [redacted] who identified themselves as Special Agents (SAs) of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Also present during the interview were [redacted], USSS, [redacted], Metropolitan Police Department, and [redacted] Federal Bureau of Investigation.

SA [redacted] furnished the following information concerning his activities and observations on March 30, 1981, while assigned to the Protection Detail for President Ronald Reagan:

[redacted] The President was attending the AF of L-CIO Conference at the Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. After his appearance, the President departed the hotel via the VIP entrance. This was at approximately 2:30 p.m. As the Presidential party was exiting the hotel through the VIP entrance, the Presidential party and U.S. Secret Service contingent made a half turn and walked toward the limousine which was being driven by SA [redacted] (b)(2) (b)(7)(C): (F)

They approached the limousine and were two or three feet from the door when four or five gun shots were heard. The President was facing the limousine when he was shot. At the time [redacted] heard the shots he was looking over the top of the limousine. He stated that by the sound of the shots, they were coming from his left, the rear designated as the Press area for VIP visitors to the Washington Hilton Hotel. The President was five to ten yards from this Press area. He did not look into the vicinity from where the shots had come, and did not see the assailant but immediately got the President down with the assistance of the Special Agent in Charge (SAIC) [redacted] and pushed the President into the limousine. SAIC [redacted] was covering the President with his body and [redacted] closed the rear door of the car. (b)(7)(C) (F)

He did not draw his weapon throughout the incident. [redacted] proceeded to the follow-up car at which time he noticed

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SAs [redacted] and [redacted] and [redacted]

SA Tim McCarthy lying on the ground. Another individual, whom he did not know, was also lying on the ground. At this point he entered the follow-up car. With him in this car were Special Agents [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] They travelled to the hospital while the rest of the Secret Service contingent remained at the hotel. [REDACTED] advised that he did not handle any physical evidence either at the hotel or the hospital.

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Special Agent (SA) [redacted] Secret Service, Washington, D.C. (WDC), (202) 634-5600, provided the following information:

[redacted] Secret Service, and [redacted] Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), were in attendance throughout the interview.

[redacted] furnished the address of his residence:

[redacted] advised that on March 30, 1981, he was engaged in the protection of President Ronald Reagan during the President's speech at the Washington Hilton Hotel.

[redacted] advised that at the conclusion of the President's speech, Reagan and his entourage including the Press Secretary arrived from the holding room, passed [redacted] post assignment and proceeded to the exit where the motorcade was located.

[redacted] advised that after the President left his assigned area, [redacted] Secret Service, left his duty post at the holding room and walked a "couple of arm lengths" to [redacted] within one minute after [redacted] arrived, [redacted] heard the first of two radio transmissions

[redacted] were momentarily stunned by the communication as the signals represented an "attack on the Principal." [redacted] within two or three seconds, [redacted] followed by [redacted] ran up the steps leading to the President's appointed place of departure. [redacted] opened the door leading to the outside, he turned to his right noticing a car quickly pulling away from the location. He then stopped and turned left noticing Secret Service Agent [redacted] with three or four other people converging on one individual later identified as the primary suspect in this matter.

[redacted] noted that he never heard a weapon discharge during the afternoon of March 30, 1981.

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[redacted] advised that after he turned to his right, then left, he then ran to the closest MPD scout car and tried to open both doors so that the subject could be transported from the site. Both [redacted] and the driver of the police scout car were unable to open all doors required to place the subject in the vehicle. [redacted] then lunged for a second scout car which was used to transport the suspect from the site. While attempting to reach the second scout car, [redacted] was "squeezed off" by the individuals handling the subject. (b)(7)(c)(F)

[redacted] advised that after he realized the subject was in control and enroute to an off-site location, he approached Secret Service Agent [redacted], who stated that SA Timothy J. McCarthy verbally indicated that he was "okay" after being punctured by gunshot wounds. [redacted] cleared a passage for an ambulance so that McCarthy could be transported to a local hospital. (b)(7)(c)(F)

[redacted] advised that after McCarthy was placed in the ambulance, he turned to SA [redacted] assigned to the permanent presidential detail, who handed [redacted] an Uzi Submachine gun. [redacted] explained that [redacted] (b)(7)(c)(F)

[redacted] and initiated appropriate crowd control, to limit public access to the crime scene.

[redacted] advised that besides controlling the crime scene, [redacted] (b)(7)(c)(F)
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[redacted] advised that just prior to receiving the weapon from [redacted] (b)(7)(c)(F)
(F)

[redacted] advised that it was "hard as hell" to remove the people from the area of the incident. [redacted] walked through the blood [redacted] (b)(7)(c)(F)

pool which remained from the injury sustained by the President's Press Secretary. [redacted] immediately pushed the police officer from the crime scene and ordered the individual to keep other people from the area. (b)(7)(c):(F)

[redacted] advised that finally a police officer arrived requesting advice from [redacted] as to the area that should be roped off to preserve the crime scene. [redacted] aided the police officer in securing a portion of the crime scene.

[redacted] advised that after he roped off a portion of the crime scene, he returned the submachine gun to [redacted]

[redacted] advised that within a few minutes the Secret Service [redacted] frequently ordered all Agents to return to the Adams Room. [redacted] just prior to returning to the Adam's hotel's room, spoke briefly to [redacted] U.S. Secret Service, in reference to an apparent bruise he had received on his facial cheek. [redacted] answered that he received the bruise when he lunged across an automobile. (b)(2) (b)(7)(c):(E) (F)

[redacted] advised that after his short conversation with [redacted] he returned inside to the hotel as ordered. (b)(7)(c):(F)

[redacted] advised that he never recalls [redacted] (b)(7)(c):(E) (F)

[redacted] reiterated that except for the one occasion when the police officer walked through the blood pool of the fallen Press Secretary, he viewed no other evidence being mishandled within the crime scene. (b)(7)(c):(F)

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[REDACTED] Special Agent, United States Secret Service (USSS), 1900 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. (WDC), telephone number (202) **[REDACTED]** furnished the following information concerning his activities and observations on March 30, 1981, while assigned to the Protection Detail for President Reagan at the Washington Hilton Hotel, WDC. Also present during the interview were Detective **[REDACTED]** Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), WDC, Special Agent **[REDACTED]** USSS, and **[REDACTED]** Stenographer, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). (b)(7)(C)(F)

[REDACTED] stated as follows:

"There was a radio transmission from **[REDACTED]** to **[REDACTED]** which is the followup car, saying the President would be out momentarily. At that point, I believe the car was already started. I looked out the right window and saw several agents exiting the door. One of them, I believe, was Tim Mc Carthy, opening the President's door to the limousine, the right rear door. When I looked up again, the President was coming out. He was approaching the limo. At that point, I put the emergency flashers on and turned on the headlights. (b)(7)(C)(F)

"The next thing I heard was some shots. I couldn't tell which direction they were coming from because I was inside the car. It seemed like before all the shots were off, the President and Mr. **[REDACTED]** were in the back seat of the car, on the floor, with Mr. **[REDACTED]** lying on top of the President. The door shut and Mr. **[REDACTED]** said something to the effect, let's get out of here, at which time I put the car in gear and made a right turn on "T" Street. I was parked in the driveway. I went up to Connecticut Avenue and made a left. When I pulled out, there were no police vehicles or followup car with me. (b)(7)(C)(F)

"During this period, Mr. **[REDACTED]** was trying to ascertain from the President if he had been hit. The President responded that he didn't think so, but that he was bleeding from the mouth, that he had cut his lip or something. I think at that point Mr. **[REDACTED]** asked for the radio microphone. (b)(7)(C)(F)

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which I handed to his back through the partition. Also, about that same time, I asked Mr. [REDACTED] where he wanted to go, White House or the hospital. He replied to go to the [REDACTED] White House. I think Mr. [REDACTED] got on the radio and advised that the President was okay and not hit, right after the President said he was not hit. Going down Connecticut, the President said he had a cut from his mouth and was having trouble breathing. Mr. [REDACTED] told the President he thought they should go immediately to George Washington University Hospital emergency entrance. I took the microphone back from Mr. [REDACTED] reaching through the partition, and radioed [REDACTED] that we wanted to go to George Washington University Hospital. Also, at the same point, a couple of motorcycles got out in front of us. I made a right turn on Pennsylvania Avenue. I proceeded up Washington Circle. I made a right hand turn in the emergency entrance to the hospital at which time Mr. [REDACTED] and the President walked to the door. I maintained security on the President's limousine.

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"At some point, [REDACTED] brought the President's clothes out and put them in the back seat of the limo. number [REDACTED] limousine was taken by Special Agent [REDACTED] back over to Protective Operations garage at 13th and L Streets, N.W. Prior to [REDACTED] leaving, the President's clothes were removed by Special Agent [REDACTED] and put in the rear seat, by herself, of Secret Service Presidential Limousine [REDACTED]. The President's clothes were later removed by [REDACTED] from Secret Service Limousine [REDACTED] and placed in a third limo, [REDACTED] until they were turned over to an FBI Agent.

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[redacted] Special Agent, United States Secret Service (USSS), 1900 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. (WDC), telephone number (202) [redacted], furnished the following information concerning his activities and observations on March 30, 1981, while assigned to the Protection Detail for President Ronald Reagan at the Washington Hilton Hotel, WDC. Also present were Detective [redacted] Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), WDC, Special Agent [redacted] USSS, and [redacted] Stenographer, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). (b)(7)(c)(F)

[redacted] stated as follows:

"My position was [redacted]"

[redacted] Taking it from the point that we were leaving the Hilton Hotel, it was sometime close to 2:30 p.m., I'm not sure. The shift deposited the President on the elevator and at that point we ran up the stairs that adjoined the elevators, arriving well ahead of the elevator. Noting that the President had not arrived at the street level, some members of the shift assumed positions at the elevators. On noting this, [redacted]

[redacted] I was approximately 30 seconds ahead of the Presidential party.

[redacted] I glanced to the rear, over my right shoulder and at which point I noted the Presidential party exiting the hotel. I then turned around and glanced to the front, then glanced over my right shoulder to see what position the President was in at that point. I observed him to be walking to the limousine, glancing to his left and waving to the crowd. At that point, he was approximately six and one half feet away from the door. I turned to the front, at which time I heard what I thought was two pops. I turned to the rear. By the way, the pops sounded like firecrackers. I turned toward the noise, 180 degrees, and moved in that direction. As I was moving in that direction, I heard three or possibly four additional rounds go off. I glanced in the direction of the noise and saw a young, white male, blond, appearing [redacted]

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to be in his 20's. He, at that point, was being subdued. As I was glancing at him, I noted Special Agent in Charge [redacted] and others on the shift crouching low and shoving the President into the car. At that point, the right rear door of the Presidential limousine was opened. While this was going on, I was again moving in the direction of the noise. Press Secretary Jim Brady was standing to the left and in front of me, approximately two and one half feet. I observed him to fall face down on the pavement. Also, immediately noting to the left of Mr. Brady, I observed a Metropolitan police officer fall. As he was falling, I heard him say, I've been shot. I glanced again and observed another body. At that time, I didn't have any idea who it was. I later determined it was Agent Tim Mc Carthy on the ground and people were kneeling next to him. In the few seconds that this was going on, I noted the limo, the Presidential limousine, and Secret Service followup car expedite their departure. (b)(7)(C)(F)

"Press Secretary Brady, at that point, was lying at my feet. I knelt down and attempted to determine the extent of his injuries. Upon kneeling down, I observed him face down on the sidewalk. His head was turned to the left and I noted that he had been shot either in the eye or directly above the eye, the left eye. I advised Mr. Brady not to move, to lay stationary. At that time, I noticed blood oozing from the vicinity of the left eye, the nostrils and the mouth. I asked Mr. Brady if he could hear me and received some acknowledgement from him that he could. I advised him not to attempt to roll over, that medical assistance was on its way. At that point, I asked bystanders, agents and police officers standing next to me for their handkerchiefs. I received three handkerchiefs and applied them to the wounds. I asked another agent who was standing above Mr. Brady's head to hold his hand on the handkerchiefs. I motioned to the people gathering around to move away so that we could get an ambulance in there. Shortly thereafter, an ambulance attendant, medic, came over to our location. I advised him where Mr. Brady had been shot. He still appeared to be lucid. The attendant then asked Mr. Brady if he could hear him. Again, Mr. Brady acknowledged that he could. The attendant procured or obtained additional gauze pads and a large pad to apply to Mr. Brady's wound. Upon instructions of the medical attendant, we rolled Mr. Brady on his back and the medic then applied a larger pad and tourniquet over the handkerchiefs and the gauze and attempted to stop the flow of blood. We then placed, with the assistance of the ambulance attendants and police officers and two Secret Service agents, Mr. Brady on the stretcher, carried him to the ambulance, placed him inside and told one of the agents to get in the ambulance, along with the White House person, and accompany Mr. Brady to the hospital.

"After getting Mr. Brady in the ambulance, I noted that they had already placed Agent Mc Carthy in the second ambulance. I then went over to the Metropolitan Police officer who was wounded and laying on the ground. It was apparent from the number of people around the wounded officer that my presence wasn't needed. At that point, I advised other Secret Service agents to secure the scene and lend assistance to the MPD. I advised Special Agents at the scene to assist the local police authorities. At that point, I called Special Agent [redacted] and Special Agent [redacted] and advised them that we should return to the White House immediately. We then walked up to Connecticut Avenue, hailed a cab and went directly to the White House, [redacted] (b)(7)(C)(F) (b)(2)

[redacted] It was my feeling that the President had escaped uninjured during this assault. It wasn't until I arrived at the White House that I was made aware of the fact that the President was shot. At that point, myself and the rest of the members of the shift expedited to George Washington Hospital Emergency Room.

"Upon arrival at the Emergency Room, we assumed security positions designated by the shift leader, [redacted] Shortly thereafter, after determining that my presence wasn't needed in the first floor Emergency Room, I went to the second floor administration office of the hospital [redacted] (b)(7)(C)(F) (F)

Mr. [redacted] was asked if he seen the suspect with a gun in his hand and he replied, "I did not see the suspect with a gun." (b)(7)(C)(F)

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Mr. [REDACTED] was asked if he remembered any particular order in which the gunshot victims fell and he stated, "When I turned around and as I was moving in the direction of the gunshots, I observed Jim Brady fall face down. He fell quickly. Shortly thereafter, within seconds, I observed the police officer to my front and left falling. He fell a few feet from Mr. Brady. As I went down to assist Mr. Brady, I happened to glance up and at this point, I noticed someone else was down besides Mr. Brady and the police officer. I didn't see who the third individual was. As it happens it was Agent Tom Mc Carthy. I didn't see him fall. My observation of the third individual was seeing him lying on the ground and of people all around him.

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[redacted] Special Agent, United States Secret Service (USSS), 1900 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., was interviewed this date by Special Agents (SAs) [redacted], and [redacted] who identified themselves as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). Also present during the interview were: [redacted] USSS, [redacted] Washington Metropolitan Police Department and [redacted] Stenographer, FBI.

[redacted] provided the following information concerning his activities and observations on March 30, 1991, while assigned to the Protection Detail for President Ronald Reagan: (b)(7)(C)(F)

[redacted] was assigned to the Presidential Protection Detail. [redacted] The President had addressed a convention of the AP of L-CIO at the Washington Hilton Hotel at 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., and finished with his appearance at the convention at approximately 2:30 P.M. [redacted] (b)(7)(C)(F) (b)(2)

At approximately 2:30 p.m., [redacted] came out of the VIP entrance to the Washington Hilton Hotel preceding the Presidential entourage. [redacted] (b)(7)(C)(F)

[redacted] He stated that he was observing the crowd gathered across the street from the hotel and after a few seconds, heard what he thought to be shots behind him. He recalled hearing four or five shots although the exact number of shots was hard to determine. He turned to the area from where he thought the shots had come. This was an area behind and to the right of the Presidential limousine which contained a combination of press and other people. He then glanced back at the limousine to find it was gone. [redacted] then moved to the aforementioned area from where the shots had come and saw a number of people who had converged on and were struggling with one individual. [redacted] indicated he did not get a good look at this individual. He stated he was a [redacted] (b)(2)

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white male, young, in his 20's. At this point [redacted] noticed a handgun lying on the ground directly in front of the area in which the struggle was taking place. This gun appeared to be a .33 caliber or smaller weapon. It looked like a revolver and was blue/gray in color. [redacted] did not handle this weapon although he later witnessed a Washington, D.C., Metropolitan Police Officer pick up this weapon.

Immediately after [redacted] had heard shots, he drew his machine gun, but fired no shots. He did not witness anyone go down from the shooting although he did see Special Agent Tim McCarthy on the ground and apparently shot. [redacted] indicated that after the Presidential limousine had left, a handgun was visible lying near the body of Mr. Brady. This weapon was determined to be that of an officer of the Metropolitan Police Department.

The entire incident here described took a total of only a few minutes. [redacted] remained at the scene of the incident for another several minutes in an attempt to provide some direction to the proceedings. He then, along with SAs [redacted] returned to the White House in a cab and later went to the George Washington University Hospital.

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[REDACTED] Protective Support Technician,
 Presidential Protective Detail, United States Secret Service
 (USSS), 1900 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D. C.
 (WDC), was interviewed by Special Agents (SA's) [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] of the Federal Bureau of Investi-
 gation (FBI), in the presence of SA [REDACTED] of the
 USSS.

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[REDACTED] advised
 he was seated in the driver's seat and saw the President
 at the doorway of the hotel, ready to exit.
 he was waiting for [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] explained when the President left the hotel,
 he could not see the President, but then heard gunshots
 in rapid succession, but could not distinguish the number.
 [REDACTED] then turned around and saw people scattering then,
 after the President was pushed into the limousine. SA [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] jumped into the spare car which he was driving.
 [REDACTED] stated he waited for [REDACTED] then proceeded down
 the street and turned left onto Connecticut Avenue and heard
 a radio communication when they were at approximately L Street
 or K Street, N.W., that they were proceeding to George
 Washington University Hospital. [REDACTED] stated they lost the
 Metropolitan Police lead car because of the loss of radio
 contact due to heavy radio traffic. At this point, he
 assumed the lead car position and led the President's
 limousine to George Washington University Hospital.

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 by SA's [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] (b)(7)(C)(F)
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[redacted] Special Agent of the United States Secret Service (USSS), advised at 4:35 PM as follows:

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He stated that he was assigned [redacted]

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(b)(2) (C)

[redacted] minutes before the President appeared. Agent [redacted] said he stationed himself approximately ten feet behind the President's limousine and the trailing vehicle, facing toward the direction of the street. He had, moments before, been talking with SS Agent [redacted] from the advance party group and decided to take a position where he could assist the local police if crowd control was necessary. [redacted]

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As President Reagan exited the hotel and approached the limousine, [redacted] said he heard three or four shots fired. He turned around and saw several people, including SS Agent [redacted] struggling with the assailant. Simultaneously, [redacted]

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he turned back in the opposite direction and saw the President being pushed into his car and driving off.

SS Agent [REDACTED] said he considered approaching the assailant to assist agents in the ensuing struggle, but decided instead, to help control the crowd and aid Agent Mc Carthy who was lying on the ground. [REDACTED] crawled over the wounded agent and asked where he was shot. He stated that Mc Carthy seemed calm and responded that he was not certain, but that he felt a small pain in his upper chest. [REDACTED] remained by the agent's side, assisted him into the forthcoming ambulance and then returned to the command center, located in the hotel. (b)(7)(C)(F)

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[redacted] Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), home address [redacted] was interviewed at [redacted] D.C., Washington, D.C., on April 7, 1981 by Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] who advised [redacted] of their identities and purpose.

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(b)(2)

[redacted] advised that on Monday, March 30, 1981, [redacted]

At approximately 1:45 P.M. the presidential motorcade departed the White House enroute to the Washington Hilton via [redacted]

The motorcade arrived at the Washington Hilton at approximately 1:50 P.M. and the presidential party immediately entered. [redacted] remained in his cruiser which was parked parallel to the VIP entrance at T Street until he saw the President exit the VIP door at approximately 2:22 P.M. He began slowly moving towards Connecticut Avenue to allow the President's limousine to pick up the President at the VIP door as is the custom. While moving forward he heard five or six shots in quick succession. Secret Service Agent [redacted] who was walking next to his door with the door open, moved back towards the President. When [redacted] looked back he saw an unidentified Secret Service Agent pushing the President into the President's limousine. Special Agent [redacted] jumped into the car behind [redacted] and the motorcade sped west on T Street towards Connecticut Avenue. Upon acceleration, [redacted] car stalled out. The motorcade went around him but he was able to get his vehicle going and retake his position [redacted] as the motorcade was turning south onto Connecticut Avenue off of T Street.

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At this time [redacted] inquired via the Secret Service radio in his vehicle whether the destination was the White House or the Hospital. The reply came back (the White House). With several motorcycle men in front of [redacted] the motorcade proceeded straight down Connecticut Avenue towards the White House. Upon reaching Pennsylvania Avenue, [redacted] noticed the presidential limousine turn towards the hospital. This was the first indication [redacted] had that the presidential party was going to the hospital. [redacted] proceeded directly to George Washington Hospital himself via E Street, to right on 22nd Street, to left on Pennsylvania Avenue. Upon reaching Pennsylvania Avenue, [redacted] saw what he presumed was the presidential party going in the emergency room entrance to George Washington Hospital. He immediately took a position at the front door to the emergency room to establish crowd control. [redacted] was unable to furnish information as to who fired the shots or from which direction they came.

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On April 7, 1981, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], Metropolitan Police Department (MPD),
Washington, D. C., was interviewed by Special Agent (SA)
[REDACTED] (FBI), and [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] MPD, who advised of the
following information:

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[REDACTED] has been a police officer for ap-
proximately [REDACTED]. On March 30, 1981, he arrived in the
vicinity of the Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut
Avenue, Northwest, at [REDACTED](b)(7)(F)
(b)(2)At the time of the shooting incident, [REDACTED]
was standing facing the intersection with his back to the
Washington Hilton Hotel. The first thing that came to his
mind when he heard the "pop-pop" noises was that someone had
set off firecrackers. He began moving toward the Hilton to
get a better view and saw Press Secretary Brady, Officer
Delahanty, and U. S. Secret Service (USSS) Agent McCarthy
lying on the ground.

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[REDACTED] immediately called for ambulance
assistance by MPD "city wide" radio and simultaneously ob-
served the Presidential limousine leaving the area. Someone
had yelled "get him out of here".Although he could not see the gunman, [REDACTED]
was sure he was in the grasp of a USSS Agent who was also
grasping an automatic shoulder weapon with the other hand.
This Agent was bent over and concealing the view of the assail-
ant.Although [REDACTED] does not hunt or have any
other interest, enthusiasm or familiarity with guns, it was
his impression that the four sounds of gunfire he was actuallyInvestigation on 4/7/81 at Washington, D. C.

(b)(7)(C)

by SA [REDACTED]

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able to count, came from the same area and probably from the same gun.

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After the shooting, only one individual, whom [redacted] described as a zealous news reporter, having a press pass and cameras, gave him any trouble, by at first disobeying his instruction to move behind a rope to allow room for the ambulance. This individual eventually obeyed [redacted] instructions, however.

[redacted] remained in the area of the shooting for 30 to 45 minutes before going to Connecticut and T Streets, Northwest, to set up more traffic control cones. During this interim, ropes were placed to cordon off the area. He estimated that it took approximately 15 to 20 minutes for all victims to be removed by ambulance.

At no time did [redacted] actually see the gunman with the gun. Nor did he observe anyone in the group of bystanders who appeared to him to be acting suspiciously following the shooting.

[redacted] did not recognize a photograph (photo number 5), which was taken of John W. Minckley on March 30, 1961. This photograph is properly initialed and dated and filed in the Sub 1-A Section of WFO File 175-311.

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[redacted] Washington, D.C., telephone (b)(7)(c)(D)
[redacted] who resides at [redacted] was advised of
the identities of the interviewing Agents and the nature of
the interview, and furnished the following information:

[redacted] stated that on March 30, 1981, he was assigned [redacted] (b)(7)(c)(E)
(b)(2)

[redacted] He indicated
that the motorcycle was to proceed to the Washington Hilton
Hotel where the President was to give an address.
[redacted] stated that [redacted] of the IPD was also assigned to the
[redacted]

At approximately 1:45 P.M., the escort departed the
White House southwest gate enroute to the Washington Hilton
Hotel and arrived at approximately 1:50 P.M. The President
then exited the limousine and immediately entered the Hilton
Hotel. The escort parked their motorcycles on the east side
of T Street, approximately 20 yards from the VIP entrance
which the President used and where his limousine was parked.

At approximately 2:26 P.M., [redacted] observed Secret
Service Agents entering the escort and Presidential vehicles,
indicating that the President was about to leave the hotel.
Shortly thereafter the President exited the VIP entrance flanked
by several Secret Service Agents and preceded by members of
his staff. The President waved first to the crowd on his
right, still walking towards the limousine, then to the 50 or
so people behind the rope barrier on his left. [redacted]
stated that at this point he initially heard two quick gunshots,
a slight pause, and then another three to four rapid shots.
After the second shot he dropped from his motorcycle, drew his

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service revolver, and began running to the President's location. He recalled hearing someone yell, "Get him out of here", referring to the President, when he was within about ten yards of the scuffling Secret Service Agents. [redacted] then reholstered his weapon and ran to his motorcycle in an effort to assist in leading the limousine from the scene. [redacted] stated that by the time he got to his motorcycle the limousine had passed him and that he was forced to fall in behind it.

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[redacted] stated that after turning left on Connecticut Avenue and just before the intersection of Florida Avenue, the limousine slowed down allowing him to pass it and [redacted]

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Initially, [redacted] assumed the motorcade, which was traveling at a high rate of speed, would return to the White House. However, when the limousine made a right turn onto Pennsylvania Avenue Ferguson realized they were going to George Washington Hospital, causing him to make a hasty U-turn to again catch up with the Secret Service motorcade.

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Upon his arrival at George Washington Hospital, [redacted] met with U.S. Park Police Motorcycle Officer [redacted] and they both acted to quickly secure the hospital entrance and preserve the limousine as a crime scene. [redacted] indicated that [redacted] radioed their headquarters for barricades to assist with crowd control and that [redacted] arrived approximately 20 to 30 minutes later to assist them.

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[redacted] concluded by stating that at the time he heard the shots fired outside the VIP entrance to the Hilton Hotel, he was not in a position to observe the assailant, his weapon, nor could he see any muzzle flashes from it. [redacted] advised that during the day he had observed nothing which appeared suspicious and stated that the only person in the crowd who stood out in his memory was a heavyset white female wearing a blue dress. He indicated she was standing directly behind the limousine, apparently just to the left of the assailant, and described her as being about 5'5" tall, light complexioned, and having blond hair. [redacted] revealed that he could not provide any additional information of value.

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[redacted] Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), was interviewed at the Washington Hilton Hotel. [redacted]

[redacted] furnished the following information:

[redacted] stated that at about 5:10 a.m., March 30, 1981, he was stopped by cab driver [redacted] who advised him that [redacted] had picked up four white males at the Holiday Inn, Thomas Circle, at approximately 10:00 a.m., that morning. [redacted] transported the four individuals to the Washington Hilton. He did not record this on his manifest. [redacted] stated that the individuals might be involved in the attempted assassination of President Reagan because during conversation in the cab they indicated they were from Colorado. [redacted] stated [redacted] resides

[redacted] can be reached at telephone [redacted]. [redacted] stated [redacted] indicated he would be able to identify a photograph of the individual arrested in the attempted assassination if he were identical to one of the individuals he transported.

[redacted] furnished a written statement consisting of two pages concerning his interview of [redacted]

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[redacted] Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) [redacted] and residing at [redacted] home telephone number [redacted] work telephone number [redacted] was interviewed at The Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. (WDC), following the attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan on March 30, 1981. After being advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent, [redacted] provided the following information:

[redacted] arrived at The Washington Hilton Hotel at approximately 1:20 p.m. and was advised by MPD Officer [redacted]

President Reagan arrived at approximately 1:35 p.m. and was inside the hotel for approximately one half hour. During that time, [redacted] noticed several individuals in the crowd of onlookers waiting for Reagan to exit the hotel. [redacted] talked to a white male known to the officer as a Reagan follower approximately five to ten minutes before Reagan exited the hotel. He also spotted this individual approximately two to three minutes before the shots were fired. [redacted] pointed to a white male in the ballroom of The Hilton Hotel, who was being interviewed by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] as the individual he observed in the crowd. [redacted] later advised SA [redacted] that this individual was identified as [redacted]

[redacted] also noted a white female with blonde hair in the crowd waiting for President Reagan. He pointed to her in the ballroom, and she identified herself to the interviewing Agent as [redacted] Sam Donaldson, the newsman, was also observed to be in the crowd.

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While waiting for President Reagan to exit the hotel, [REDACTED] also noticed that a white male, dark hair, approximately six feet tall, between the ages of 30 and 40, wearing a dark gray or black suit, was observed to be taking photographs of President Reagan's automobile. [REDACTED] particularly noticed this individual because he saw the flash on his camera go off. He then observed that this individual took another picture without the flash. The camera he was using appeared to be a sophisticated camera. He did not appear to be a member of the press corps.

A small male child was also observed to be standing on the curb next to the driveway.

President Reagan exited the hotel through the V.I.P. canopy exit at approximately 2:05 p.m., started walking toward his car, and stopped to wave at the crowd. [REDACTED] heard one popping sound and then three more pops in rapid succession. At this time, [REDACTED] stated many individuals had taken cover. [REDACTED] immediately used his radio to call for assistance. [REDACTED] caught a glimpse of the suspect taken away by police officers at the scene and stated that he had not seen this individual in the crowd that day. [REDACTED] explained that his vision was blocked to the left by the wall and that he had to lean over the wall to observe the area where the suspect was apprehended. [REDACTED] observed ten to fifteen people across the street beside the Universal Building during the shooting.

After the shooting, President Reagan was immediately rushed away in his Presidential Car.

[REDACTED] provided a sketch of the crime scene which is preserved with the original notes of the interview in the 1A Section.

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[redacted] Badge Number [redacted] Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), Washington, D. C. (WDC), furnished the following information:

On March 30, 1981, [redacted] was assigned to [redacted]

(b)(7)(c)(D)
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The motorcade left the White House at approximately 1:25 p.m. and arrived at the Washington Hilton at 1:45 p.m. While the President was inside the hotel, [redacted] waited outside. At approximately 2:20 p.m., a Secret Service Agent told the police escorts in the motorcade that there was five minutes to departure.

As the President came out of the VIP entrance and approached his limousine, [redacted] heard two loud noises which he at first thought were firecrackers. [redacted] then heard four more noises, and realized that they were gunshots. [redacted] got off his motorcycle, looked, and saw someone lying on the ground, who he later found out was McCarthy (Secret Service Agent Timothy McCarthy). [redacted] started for the crowd.

The Presidential limousine sped out past [redacted] and he followed it down Connecticut Avenue. The limousine went to George Washington Hospital, and [redacted] stayed at 22nd and Pennsylvania Avenues, NW, and helped control traffic.

[redacted] was displayed a photograph of John W. Hinckley, Jr., and he advised that to the best of his knowledge he has never seen this individual.

This interview was also witnessed by [redacted] MPD, [redacted] WDC.

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[REDACTED] Badge [REDACTED] Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), Washington, D. C. (WDC), furnished the following information:

On March 30, 1981, [REDACTED] was assigned to [REDACTED]

(b)(7)(c)(E)
(b)(2)

When President Reagan and his party came out of the hotel, [REDACTED] saw the President and then heard approximately five gunshots. He then heard two Secret Service Agents say "get him the hell out of here". The President was pushed into his limousine and was driven away. [REDACTED] saw Park Police Officers run toward the shooting scene. He also saw a man (race unknown) run away from the scene along the wall of the hotel toward 19th Street, NW. [REDACTED] then continued with crowd control.

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[REDACTED] was displayed a photograph of John W. Hinckley, Jr., and advised that to the best of his knowledge, he has never seen this individual.

This interview was also witnessed by [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] MPD, [REDACTED] WDC.

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[redacted] Badge Number [redacted] Metro-
 politan Police Department (MPD), Washington, D. C. (WDC), (b)(7)(c):(b)
 furnished the following information:

[redacted] was advised to [redacted] (b)(7)(c):(E)
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At approximately 1:45 p.m., the motorcade left the White House and proceeded directly on Connecticut Avenue, Northwest (NW), WDC. The motorcade arrived at the Washington Hilton Hotel at approximately 2:00 p.m. He was told while at the hotel that the President was to arrive back at the White House at approximately 2:35 p.m.

As the police officers were waiting outside the hotel, they received the word that the President was coming out. [redacted] was parked at the curb between the VIP entrance of the hotel and Connecticut Avenue. [redacted] and was waiting for the President to get into his car. The President came out of the hotel, first waving his right hand, then his left hand at the crowd. At the time the President was waving his left hand, [redacted] heard what he thought was a series of firecrackers. He thought he had seen white smoke coming from the wall behind the press area. [redacted] saw people hitting the ground around the President. He then realized that the noise was gunshots and not firecrackers. [redacted] and took approximately five steps when he heard someone yell "go, move it, go, go, go". He assumed that that was the voice of a Secret Service Agent, and that the President was in his limousine. (b)(7)(c):(E)
 (b)(2)

and at that time, the limousine sped past him. [redacted] fell in behind, and as it was heading south on Connecticut Avenue, [redacted] As [redacted] passed the limousine, he saw the President in the rear seat slightly hunched over with his right hand on his chest. [redacted] did not know if he had been shot and thought he had just been shook up. (b)(7)(c):(E)
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As the limousine and the other police officers [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] proceeded down Connecticut Avenue, [REDACTED] thought that they were en route to the White House. As he arrived at the intersection of 17th and F Streets, NW, [REDACTED] turned and saw the President's motorcade turn west onto Pennsylvania Avenue. At that time, [REDACTED] realized that the motorcade was going to George Washington Hospital. He then proceeded to the hospital, and he surmized that he arrived a few seconds behind the President. He still did not know that the President had been shot. Shortly thereafter, the ambulances with James Brady and Timothy McCarthy arrived.

[REDACTED] was displayed a photograph of John W. (b)(7)(C)(D)
Sinckley, Jr., and he advised that to the best of his knowledge, he had never seen this individual. ↓

This interview was also witnessed by [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] :PD, [REDACTED] WDC.

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[REDACTED] Washington, D.C., (F)(7)(C)(E)
 (426-6680) advised that he has been employed with the [REDACTED] (D)
 he is currently assigned [REDACTED]
 out of the [REDACTED] On Monday, March 30, 1981,
 he along with Officers [REDACTED] were
 assigned [REDACTED] advised as
 follows:

During the afternoon on March 30, 1981, he and the (F)(7)(C)(E)
 above-mentioned other officers [REDACTED] (D)(2)
 Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington,
 D.C. As usual procedure, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] which was located on T Street, N.W.
 He was waiting [REDACTED] for the President to exit the
 Hotel; he saw the President exit the Hotel and within a short
 period of time he heard a shot and saw a flash. He and Officer

[REDACTED] returned to his bike
 as he heard the command to get the President out; however, he
 continued to run down the hill. As he was running,
 he drew his service revolver, but he quickly realized that the
 shooting stopped and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He jumped into the pile where Secret
 Service Agents were trying to restrain an individual. He assisted
 the Secret Service Agents in handcuffing the subject and placed
 the subject into the MPD cage police vehicle. As he turned from
 the police vehicle, [REDACTED]

He went toward the injured individuals and saw
 [REDACTED] of Press Secretary, James Brady; [REDACTED]
 He approached the
 agent and advised that [REDACTED]

At this time,
 all the injured were being attended to, so he went back [REDACTED]

He then waited for about two minutes, departed the scene, and
 proceeded toward George Washington Hospital. While enroute to
 the hospital he was ordered to return to the scene and he did
 so until he was relieved. He then went to George Washington
 Hospital.

[REDACTED] further stated that after he heard the [REDACTED]

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first shots, he heard other shots. The first two shots were fired and the remaining shots were in rapid succession. He thought the gun was an automatic until he saw it lying on the ground. As stated above, he assisted in handcuffing the subject who was handcuffed in the front and he recalls that the subject did not utter a word.

[REDACTED] (b)(7)(c)(D)

[REDACTED] (b)(7)(c)(D)

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[redacted], Badge Number [redacted] Metro-
politan Police Department (MPD), Washington, D. C. (MDC),
furnished the following information:

On March 30, 1981, [redacted] was assigned to [redacted]

At approximately 1:00 p.m., the motorcade left the White House, with [redacted]. When the motorcade arrived at the Washington Hilton, [redacted] parked his car on T Street, NW. The President's limousine and the other Secret Service vehicles parked in the horseshoe driveway area near the VIP entrance of the hotel.

When the President emerged from the entrance at approximately 2:20 p.m., he was waving at the crowd, first with his right hand, then with his left hand. At that time, [redacted] heard an explosion. At first he thought it was a series of fireworks, but then realized that the President had been shot at. At first, he heard a series of two shots, followed by four more. [redacted] then pulled his car up to where the President's limousine was to leave. Secret Service Agents were running alongside the limousine and [redacted] realized the President must be in the car.

[redacted] pulled in behind the limousine which was heading down Connecticut Avenue and assured that it was heading toward the White House. [redacted] radioed to his dispatcher that the President had been shot at the Washington Hilton. The limousine continued down Connecticut Avenue, but proceeded to the George Washington Hospital instead. When [redacted] arrived at the hospital, he helped secure the area.

[redacted] was displayed a photograph of John W. Hinckley, Jr., and he advised that to the best of his knowledge, he had never seen this individual.

This interview was also witnessed by [redacted]
[redacted] MPD, [redacted] MDC.

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[redacted] Metropolitan Police (b)(7)(C)(D)
Department (MPD), Washington, D.C. (WDC), advised as follows:

[redacted] officer assigned to the
[redacted] MPD, and resides at [redacted] (b)(7)(C)(D)

[redacted] stated that he responded to the scene at the Washington Hilton to an "officer down" call. When he arrived, he was detailed to canvass the crowd for possible witnesses to the shooting, and was subsequently detailed to search for potential witnesses in 1875 Connecticut Avenue, the North building across the street. During this attempt to locate witnesses, [redacted] (b)(7)(C)(D)

[redacted] prepared a signed statement attesting to his conversation [redacted] which he signed in the presence of Special Agent [redacted] at 1778 hours, March 30, 1981. (b)(7)(C)(D)

[redacted] could provide no additional information.

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██████████ was advised that the purpose of the interview was to determine his possible knowledge concerning circumstances relating to an attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan at the Washington Hilton Hotel. He voluntarily provided the following information:

He was on official duty and had arrived at the Washington Hilton Hotel at approximately

After the President's motorcade had arrived at the hotel,
he engaged in conversation with [redacted] R. W.D., et al.

As the President departed the entrance to the hotel, he heard a ruffle.

the entrance to the hotel, [redacted] he heard a muffled gun shot followed by a burst of approximately three gun shots. He stated that the crowd became very confused and he noticed officers scuffling with an individual he described as a white male with sandy hair, approximately five foot-nine inches in

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height. He stated that at no time did he see the individual's face and he took it for granted that this individual had fired the gun shots. He does not recall seeing [REDACTED] during the confusion but was not consciously looking for him. He next became aware that the President's limousine left the area and the subject was taken into custody by MPD officers. Shortly thereafter ambulances arrived at the scene.

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[redacted] (b)(7)(c)(D)
[redacted] Badge Number [redacted] Metropolitan
Police Department (MPD), Washington, D.C. (WDC) furnished the
following information:

On March 30, 1981, at 1:30 P.M., [redacted] (b)(7)(c)(E)
[redacted] (b)(2)

When the President did exit the V.I.P. door of the
hotel, [redacted] turned and glanced at him, then turned and
faced the crowd again. At that time [redacted] heard five or
six gunshots. He also heard Secret Service Agents say "get him
the hell out of here." He also saw Officer Thomas Dolahanty
down and radioed for an ambulance. (b)(7)(c)(E)
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[redacted] did not know that a suspect had been
caught until five minutes later. He then continued with his
duties of keeping the crowd back.

[redacted] was displayed a photograph of John W.
Winckley, Jr. and he advised that to the best of his knowledge he
has never seen this individual.

This interview was also witnessed by [redacted]
[redacted] MPD, [redacted] WDC.

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Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), Washington, D. C.
(WDC), furnished the following information:

On March 30, 1981, [redacted] was assigned [redacted]

The President arrived at the Washington Hilton at approximately 1:45 p.m. When the President arrived at the hotel, [redacted] walked from his cruiser toward the hotel. At approximately 2:25 p.m., a Secret Service Agent told him and several other police officers that he (the President) was on his way out. [redacted] then returned to his cruiser, and at that time, he heard what he thought were six gunshots. He turned around and saw Secret Service Agents and police officers jump on a subject.

At that point, [redacted] thought the suspect was a [redacted]

[redacted] saw no one leaving the scene of the shooting that he would consider a conspirator. He was displayed a photograph of John W. Hinckley, Jr. and he advised that to the best of his knowledge, he has never seen this individual.

This interview was also witnessed by [redacted] MPD, [redacted] WDC.

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On April 7, 1981, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), Washington, D. C., was interviewed by Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] (FBI) and Sergeant [REDACTED], Criminal Investigations Division, Homicide, MPD, who advised of the following information:

(b)(7)(C): (D)

[REDACTED] was assigned to be [REDACTED] on March 30, 1981. When the Presidential Motorcade approached the drive at the Washington Hilton Hotel, located at 1919 Connecticut Avenue, Northwest, [REDACTED]

(b)(7)(C): (D)
(b)(2)

The Presidential limousine pulled into the drive. [REDACTED] inasmuch as he had been advised that the President would not be long inside the hotel. When [REDACTED] was informed by radio that the President was about to come out of the hotel, he started his [REDACTED] and proceeded in routine fashion to Connecticut and T Streets, Northwest, to block traffic. When at this intersection he heard the "pop-pop" (five, to six) noises and a simultaneous woman's scream, he immediately thought of gunshots instead of firecrackers. He immediately and instinctively [REDACTED]

However, as soon as he [REDACTED] around he observed the Presidential limousine speeding from the curb and he was told by radio that the President would be rushed to the White House. He began to lead the limousine to the White House, and the decision was made en route to go to George Washington Hospital instead. Inasmuch as he was well ahead of the limousine and [REDACTED] motorcycles had joined the limousine, he realized he had already traveled through an intersection at which the limousine had turned while altering its course to the hospital.

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by SA [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] was shown a photograph (number 5) taken of John W. Hinckley, Jr., on March 30, 1981, following his arrest. Officer [REDACTED] stated that he had not observed this individual in the hotel area immediately prior to or following the shooting incident.

Photograph number five was properly dated and initialed and is filed in the Sub 1-A Section of WFO File 175-311.

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[redacted] business address [redacted]

[redacted], Telephone [redacted], advised as follows:

(b)(7)(c) NO

[redacted] stated that between 2:30 and 2:45 p.m., [redacted] were exiting the International Ballroom of the Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., after President Ronald Reagan's speech. [redacted] stated he was in the International Ballroom [redacted]

[redacted] stated that when he arrived upstairs at the Hilton access driveway, ambulances were jockeying for position and he saw two men on stretchers.

[redacted] stated that later after the wounded persons were removed he and other newsmen clustered around [redacted] and Associated Press (AP) or United Press International (UPI) newsmen whose name he did not know. The newsmen had had his tape recorder recording during the sequence of events before and after the attempted assassination of the President.

[redacted] subsequently inquired of other newsmen the name of the aforementioned newsmen and advised that the newsmen's name was [redacted] phone number [redacted]

[redacted] advised he was not an eyewitness and could provide no further information at this time.

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[redacted] was telephonically contacted at [redacted] concerning a telephone call received at the station on the [redacted]. He stated the call was received at about 5:00 p.m. this date and the caller related to the [redacted] that he had just witnessed the shooting of the President. The caller stated that he had seen the individual, believed to be the assailant, work his way through the crowd to a position from which he shot at the President. [redacted] stated that [redacted] suggested to the individual that he get in touch with the police immediately.

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[redacted] advised that no identification data concerning the individual was available. He stated that on some occasions when [redacted] the other people handling the telephones will be able to get in touch with the caller. He stated that this was not the case in this instance.

He stated that [redacted] had obtained any identifying data on the individual who called in.

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The following interview of [REDACTED] was conducted on March 30, 1981, by Special Agents (SA's) [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) at the Washington Field Office (WFO). (b)(7)(C)(D)

[REDACTED] telephone number [REDACTED] extension [REDACTED] home address [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] home telephone [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that he was assigned to cover the AFL-CIO Trade Commission Conference on this date. [REDACTED] arrived at the Hilton Hotel at approximately 1:00 PM. [REDACTED] was responsible for (taking video pictures) known in the News business as ("cut aways.")

[REDACTED]

Police officers set up a Press Line prior to President Reagan arriving at the Hilton Hotel. The President arrived, which was approximately 1:45 PM, at which time, persons from the crowd invaded the Press line. This invasion of the crowd is not normal. Non-press people were bumping the press people.

After President Reagan entered the Hilton, [REDACTED] then pulled away from his camera position and entered the ballroom of the hotel to check the camera position inside.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] took pictures of President Reagan and the audience inside the ballroom of the Hilton while the President was delivering his speech. [REDACTED] had taken approximately

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nine minutes of tape inside the ballroom. President Reagan was inside the hotel approximately thirty minutes.

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] squeezed into position at the front of the Press line.) The NBC crew was also positioned in the front of the Press line. There were approximately thirty non-press people in the Press line.

Secret Service Agents came out of the hotel entrance first, followed by Press Secretary Brady and President Reagan. President Reagan was waving to the crowd.

As President Reagan was bending over, entering the limousine and waving, [REDACTED] heard four consecutive shots coming from his right. The unknown gunman was standing at the front of the Press line, approximately two to three feet from Brady's right. Press Secretary Brady and several security personnel and one police officer were between [REDACTED] and President Reagan.

As [REDACTED] heard the shots, two security personnel were struck in the back portion of the body. Press Secretary Brady was not shot in the first four consecutive shots. A Metropolitan Police Officer (MPD) was drawing his weapon and turning toward the unknown gunman as he was hit in the upper portion of his body. The officer dropped his gun. The fifth and final shot was fired not in sequence with the first four. [REDACTED] first viewed the unknown gunman at the sound of the fifth shot. At this point, Secret Service Agents and one citizen, were scuffling with the unknown gunman.

Press Secretary Brady fell to the ground approximately one foot from [REDACTED] feet. The man scuffling with the unknown gunman pulled the gun away from him and it was kicked toward Brady's head. The gunman at this point was within feet of [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] described the gun as being black with an orange-brown handle. The gun had a cylinder.

[REDACTED] was approximately ten feet from President Reagan at the time of the shooting, and the first shot appeared to hit the President. The remainder of the first four consecutive shots hit the Secret Service man and MPD officer. The fifth shot struck Brady as he was falling to

the ground.

described the unknown gunman as follows:

Race:	Caucasian
Sex:	Male
Age:	Late 20's
Hair:	Blondish red, thick
Height:	5'10"
Weight:	180-185 Pounds
Clothing:	Wearing a brown leather jacket

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does not have a vivid memory to identify the unknown subject from a line-up, or positively identify the unknown gunman.

believed one agent was dead and Tracy showed some life but no movement.

assistants, an dove to the ground at the sound of the shots.

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11. [REDACTED]
 newspaper, advised he was in the Washington Hilton Hotel at the time President Ronald Reagan was shot. [REDACTED] was "breaking down" his equipment when he was told by others that "he missed it." (assault on Reagan) [REDACTED] immediately proceeded to the scene of the shooting to see Jim Brady lying on the sidewalk. [REDACTED] said he did not have (photographs of) the crime scene area prior to and during the shooting.

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On April 9, 1981, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was interviewed by SA's [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] at his residence, [REDACTED] and advised as follows:

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[REDACTED] They arrived at the Hilton Hotel, early, at approximately 12:15 or 12:30 p.m. They first went into the ballroom to make their official presence known to security people such as the United States Secret Service (USSS). They then went to the main hotel lobby to pass time. They then went back into the ballroom for approximately fifteen minutes to discuss technical preparations and returned to the lobby for another fifteen minute waiting period, wherein they talked with correspondents and engineers. There were people constantly coming and going and there appeared to be nothing unusual or suspicious going on.

[REDACTED] not hotel guests "Rita" and her husband who were from out of town and they accompanied [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] to observe the President's arrival. [REDACTED] did not know where "Rita" and her husband went subsequently.

As President Reagan arrived, [REDACTED] was aware of the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] then went to an area designated for the press and waited for approximately five or ten minutes whereupon the President came out after his speech. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were about the first to assemble at the rope. He described his position as being at the rope and (two or three feet)

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██████████ stated that he turned around to look behind him only once and saw a USSR car, but was not aware of the presence of the individual whom he later saw shooting a handgun.

██████████ turned the recording equipment on as the President emerged from the VIP door.

██████████ advised that perhaps the gunman had brushed up against him while moving in front of him, and only a split second later his attention was directed to this man on his right and slightly in front of him.

██████████ attention was directed at this individual because from a semi-crouched "bent over" position, this individual was firing a blue revolver in rapid succession.

██████████ described this individual to have straight, "fifty" blond hair, trianed in a "Glen Campbell" style, and wearing a light color (tan), light weight jacket. He did not take notice of trouser or shoe colors. He was able to observe the barrel and cylinder of a revolver which he thought was a .33 calibre, based on the noise level.

██████████ stated that it took from one and one half to two (2) seconds from the start of the shooting to the finish, and because of the rapid succession, he thought he heard four shots.

██████████ stated that his attention was frozen on the gunman's hand and the gun and that he ██████████ could not move or react. Immediately after what he thought was the last shot was fired, there were two people "on him" and evicting the assailant. USSR pushed people away in what ██████████ thought was an effort to protect the assailant, because angry people were yelling "kill him" or "shoot him." USSR covered the head of the assailant with some cloth material and because more security personnel surrounded the gunman, ██████████ view of the assailant's face was obscured. He had only seen the left rear quadrant of the head portion of the assailant.

██████████ was shown a photo spread consisting of seven Caucasian males. He picked photos number two (2) and five (5) as resembling the assailant because of hair color and length, but could not positively identify him.

The photographic spread consisted of the following individuals:

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1. [REDACTED] United States Secret Service Agent.

2. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

3. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

4. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

5. John Wernock Minckley, Jr., Subject.

6. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

7. [REDACTED] Clerk, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

The above photographic spread, consisting of seven (7) white males, was properly initialed and dated, and is filed in the Sub 1-A section of WFO file 175-911.

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[redacted] was interviewed at the White House, and provided the following information: (b)(7)(C), (D)

On March 30, 1981, [redacted] was standing outside the Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C., at the driveway edge of the roped off area. [redacted] attention was focused on the door from which the President would exit. He advised that the CBS, ABC, and NBC news cameras were situated between himself and the wall of the hotel. After the President exited and [redacted] heard gunshots, he immediately ran into the hotel in order to call [redacted]. He was not aware of the individual or individuals who fired those shots, and added that at no time prior to the shots did he focus his attention on someone who was not a member of the Press Corps.

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[REDACTED] telephone number [REDACTED], was interviewed at the White House regarding the assassination attempt on President Ronald Reagan. (b)(7)(D)(C)

[REDACTED] stated that he was standing on the driver's side of the presidential limousine (taking photographs) of the President. [REDACTED] was walking toward the other side of his limousine when the President raised his hand to wave. Suddenly he heard what appeared to be the sounds of firecrackers. Mr. [REDACTED] stated that he could not recall how many shots had been fired.

He said that he had not seen the assailant until security officers had wrestled him to the ground. Furthermore, he added that he had not (taken photographs) of the assailant.

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On April 7, 1981,

[redacted] was contacted by SA [redacted] stated that he and the below listed (photographers) were present at President Reagan's address to the Building Trades Union on March 30, 1981, at the Washington Hilton Hotel. Additionally, [redacted] stated that he and the below listed (photographers) were inside the International Ballroom at the hotel following the President's departure and did not witness or (photograph) anything in connection with the assassination attempt.

These (photographers) are identified as:

Mr. [redacted]

Mr. [redacted]

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[REDACTED] telephone number
provided the following information.

On March 30, 1981, [REDACTED] was assigned to cover President Ronald Reagan in a speech given at the Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C. [REDACTED] said following the speech, she was preparing to board the magazine pool bus which was a part of the Presidential motorcade at the Ballroom exit of the Hotel. While awaiting the arrival of the President from the VIP exit, she was standing on the sidewalk behind the press line which had been set up by the security people. She heard two rapid shots fired then four additional slower shots and ran in the direction of the shots from the Ballroom exit. She took a position approximately nine feet from the grate nearer the VIP entrance located behind the press line. She was on the sidewalk facing the President's car. She then noticed a Black man wearing a suitcoat who had a revolver in his hand. She also noticed a Secret Service man facing out from the President's car with his gun up in the air. She further noticed that the Black man's arm was being drawn back by another individual and he was also facing out towards the street. She became aware of a crowd of approximately six people struggling near the wall and then she saw three bodies laying on the sidewalk. The first body she noticed was the policeman who was apparently laying on top of the individual she described as Brady, the President's Press Secretary, she noticed that next to Mr. Brady, there was a gun she described as being dark grey metallic. She further described the gun as a revolver with a large barrel. She noticed that someone with a suit on was holding Brady down and the policeman was laying on top of him. She saw a third person laying in the curve of the sidewalk on the sidewalk and he appeared to have fallen backwards. She stated this individual must be the Secret Service Agent who was wounded in the incident. She then became aware of the

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commotion at the top of the wall but realized that the policeman positioned on the wall had the situation under control.

Her attention was then turned towards the crowd at the right of the sidewalk against the wall, she said that the crowd appeared to move down the sidewalk towards the press line. She saw an individual in a navy jacket with white piping and light colored hair, approximate age 50 years jump into the struggle but was forced away. She never saw the subject in the middle of the group of people struggling until he was moved from the area to a police cruiser which was now in the place of the Presidential limousine. They moved the subject from the first police cruiser to a second police cruiser forward of it for some unexplained reason. Her attention was then turned to the bodies of the three victims, the first she recognized as a Secret Service Agent was carried away by an ambulance, a second ambulance carried the body of Press Secretary Brady away, a third ambulance carried the body of the policeman away. She then was pushed back towards the Ballroom entrance of the Hotel. At this time she began to talk the circumstances over with the other reporters present at the time and noted nothing else of an unusual nature occurring in the area. She identified an individual by the name of [REDACTED] and a second individual as [REDACTED] as witnesses who might possibly give additional information. (b)(7)(c)(D)

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[redacted] telephone number [redacted] was contacted at his residence. [redacted] was advised of the official identity of the interviewing agents and the fact that the interview concerned the recent attack on President Ronald Reagan and others at the Washington Hilton Hotel. [redacted] thereafter provided the following information:

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

One of their assignments on that date was to cover President Reagan's speech at the Washington Hilton Hotel on Connecticut Avenue. The crew arrived at the hotel and set up to photograph the President's arrival for the speech. They were located on a sidewalk next to the driveway between the hotel lobby entrance and the VIP entrance used by the President. When Reagan arrived, the crew filmed his exit from his limousine and entry into the hotel. They then went into the hotel and set up in the main ballroom in order to take "cut-out shots" of the President's speech. [redacted]

At the end of Reagan's speech, [redacted] left the hotel via the front lobby and again set up their cameras near the driveway side of the walk between the lobby entrance and the VIP entrance. According to [redacted] the camera crew was set up at a point along the sidewalk where a drainage grate ran the width of the walk. [redacted] does not recall whether there was any type of barrier in front of this position to keep the press from getting too close to Reagan. When the crew set up for Reagan's departure, it was determined that [redacted] As a result, [redacted] moved back into the crowd from the rest of the crew. He estimated that he was approximately eight feet behind the rest of the crew.

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When Reagan departed. There were several non-press individuals in the crowd but [REDACTED] was not paying any particular attention to the people around him. (S)(X)(C)(D)

When Reagan exited the hotel and headed for his car, [REDACTED] could not see the President because of the number of people ahead of him [REDACTED] in the crowd.

As [REDACTED] heard the crowd applauding and trying to attract President Reagan's attention, he heard the first two or three shots. He looked in the direction of the shots momentarily and then dropped to the ground and heard several other shots fired. [REDACTED] indicated that the shots appeared to be coming from the front of the crowd of press persons and spectators. When [REDACTED] looked up again he saw several Secret Service agents wrestling someone against the wall at the front of the press line but could not see the person being subdued. He noticed [REDACTED] filming the scene and [REDACTED] immediately ran up to join him, (activating the camera lights to make certain videotape would be adequately lighted). [REDACTED] never saw the individual firing the shots.

[REDACTED] indicated that the only person in the crowd he could recall seeing other than members of the press was a white female, with a heavy build and blonde hair who was wearing a blue and white polka dot dress. The only reason Haynes noticed her was that before Reagan exited from the hotel, she was yelling across the street to someone. [REDACTED] indicated that the woman appeared to be trying to attract the attention of persons across the street who might be her co-workers.

The following description of [REDACTED] was obtained through observation and interview:

Sex:
Race:
Height:
Weight:
Hair:
Eyes:
Date of birth:
Place of birth:
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[REDACTED] telephone number [REDACTED], was interviewed regarding the assassination attempt of President Ronald Reagan at the White House. [REDACTED] provided the following information:

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[REDACTED] stated that as he and other members of the Press Pool came out of the Washington Hilton Hotel and moved in close to cover the President, he suddenly heard what sounded like five quick gunshots that appeared to be that of a 22 caliber pistol. He also said that by the time that he and his crew closed in on the Presidential party the three victims were already on the ground and the President had already been placed in his limousine and taken away.

[REDACTED] noted that although he was not certain but he thought that he had possibly seen the unidentified assailant prior to the actual shooting. He said that an individual fitting the description of the suspect had entered the Washington Hilton Hotel with the Press Pool earlier. [REDACTED] also noted that this individual had attracted his attention because he had not seen any press credentials on this man.

[REDACTED] described this individual as follows:

Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Height:	5'8"
Build:	Medium
Age:	Approximately 22 years old
Other Characteristics:	Wore a tan colored jacket.

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advised as follows:

The Presidential motorcade departed the White House at approximately 1:45 p.m. on March 30, 1981, and arrived at the Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., WDC, at approximately 2:00 p.m. The motorcade pulled up to the T Street entrance and the President departed the motorcade and went inside the hotel. After the President finished his speech, which was 2:24 p.m., the President was ushered out the VIP entrance on T Street while the pool reporters were required to exit through the main exit on T Street, which was approximately 15 yards down the hill from the VIP entrance.

As he was walking up the hill towards the VIP entrance, he heard a reporter yell "Mr. President" and at that time he thought he heard four gun shots and noticed a puff of smoke in the crowd off to the right, between him and the President. At the time of the shooting he was approximately 15 feet from the President and the assailant was between him and the President. After listening to various news tapes of the incident he stated six, not four shots were fired.

Almost instantaneously, he noticed police and Secret Service agents move in toward the puff of smoke and wrestle an individual to the ground. He stated he did not see the assailant's weapon nor did he see anyone get shot. He then noticed the President's car leave the scene and saw James Brady lying approximately six feet from the assailant, with the police officer and Secret Service agent lying on the ground, the police officer between Mr. Brady and the Secret Service agent.

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A few minutes after the shooting, police officers took the assailant away from the scene in a police car. Later ambulances arrived to take the injured to the hospital with the last individual, the police officer, being removed approximately ten minutes after the shooting. Throughout the entire incident, he did not hear the assailant say anything.

He described the assailant as follows:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	Mid 20's
Hair:	Fair colored, short
Height:	Unknown
Weight:	Unknown
Clothing:	Light rain coat, light blue shirt and trousers

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[redacted]
[redacted]
phone number [redacted], home address [redacted]
[redacted] phone number [redacted] advised as follows:
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] stated he was not an eyewitness to any of the events since he arrived well after the attempted assassination took place.

[redacted] stated that he believes [redacted] were possibly eyewitnesses to the attempted assassination. [redacted] also stated that [redacted] and [redacted] of the Associated Press, White House Office, may have been eyewitnesses to the events.

[redacted] advised [redacted] had a tape recorder rolling which recorded the sounds before and after the shooting and he believes the tape recorded six shots.

[redacted] stated that [redacted] later videotaped [redacted] tape recorder rolling and that [redacted] recorded the sound originally recorded by [redacted]

[redacted] could furnish no further information at this time.

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was interviewed by [redacted], who identified herself as a Special Agent of the FBI. [redacted] was interviewed in the Old Executive Office Building, 17th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

[redacted] advised that he only had an audio tape machine with him and that he did not activate it until after he heard the shots. He did not see the gunman. He heard the shots and saw a few people fall to the ground.

[redacted] advised that the following individuals were able to comment further.

[redacted] (possibly in possession of an audio tape).

[redacted] and [redacted] are eyewitnesses to the incident.

[redacted] stated he was surprised how close the crowd was to the press.

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[redacted], residence telephone [redacted] was interviewed regarding his knowledge of the Assault on the President of the United States and he provided the following information: (X)(C) (D)

[redacted] advised [redacted] earlier in the afternoon, this date he was in the Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C., covering the President Reagan's speech. At the end of the speech [redacted] and several other members of the press quickly exited the hotel in order to interview President Reagan at his limosine which was located near the T Street door of the building.

[redacted] arrived near the Presidential limosine and a few seconds later the President's party emerged from the T Street door of the hotel and proceeded toward the limosine.

[redacted] advised he shouted "Mr. President" in an attempt to gain President Reagan's attention for a brief interview. At that point the President turned toward the press, smiling and began raising his arm as if to wave. [redacted] stated he then heard 2 shots followed by four more in rapid succession. The President then stopped and looked around, apparently confused.

[redacted] stated that at that time President Reagan was approximately five feet from the limosine and several U. S. Secret Service Agents forced him into the limosine.

[redacted] observed two men on the ground and a police officer standing in an area above the T Street door with a gun in his hand.

To [redacted] right was a great deal of activity and shouting however he did not observe the man who fired the shots.

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[REDACTED] added that [REDACTED] most likely observed
the shooting take place.

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[REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED] was contacted at the Washington Hilton Hotel after an attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan. [REDACTED] was advised of the official identity of the interviewing agents and the nature of the inquiry and thereafter provided the following information:

He was standing behind the Press line on the driveway of the Washington Hilton Hotel waiting for the President to emerge from the VIP entrance of the hotel. [REDACTED] was standing in the vicinity of the right rear of the President's limousine when the President emerged. He saw Reagan walk toward his car and then turn and wave to the Press.

At that instant, [REDACTED] heard what he believes to be four rapid fire shots coming from the opposite side of the Press line, that being the side closest to the retaining wall next to the driveway. He looked in that direction and could only see a pile of bodies consisting of uniformed police officers and Secret Service Agents attempting to subdue some person or persons whom [REDACTED] could not see. He then immediately looked towards the President's limousine and caught a fleeting glimpse of President Reagan being shoved in the right rear door of the limousine.

The individual being subdued appeared to be approximately ten to fifteen feet from the right rear of the President's limousine and approximately twenty feet from [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised he currently resides at [REDACTED] and his home telephone is [REDACTED]. Effective May 1, 1981 he will be residing at [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] was telephonically contacted at the White House Press Pool. [REDACTED] was advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and the nature of the interview and thereafter provided the following information:

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He was attending a speaking engagement at the Washington Hilton Hotel on March 30, 1981 at which President Ronald Reagan was a guest speaker. This speech was given by President Reagan in the main ballroom of the Hilton. At the end of the speech, [REDACTED] went outside the hotel ahead of the President to cover his departure inasmuch as some reporters desired to ask the President about the current situation in Poland. [REDACTED] took a position behind a roped off area of the driveway leading to the lobby of the Hilton. [REDACTED] was (up against a retaining wall) and was at the front of this line (between the wall and a stanchion) when the President emerged from an exit to the left of the driveway. [REDACTED] worked his way to the front of the line to get a good glimpse of the President and to record any statement he might make, a white male approximately five feet nine, and wearing a light colored shirt and having light colored hair, made a derogatory comment about the Press. [REDACTED] indicated this comment was to the effect that the Press was always getting in the public's way or something of that nature. [REDACTED] is uncertain of his exact remarks and tries to ignore comments such as this which are often made by persons in large crowds who are trying to catch a glimpse of some notable.

As the President emerged, [REDACTED] was watching Mr. Reagan for any eye movement which would indicate he might be prepared to react to reporters questions. [REDACTED] was watching Reagan approach his limousine, he heard three shots in his left ear. At first, [REDACTED] felt this could be a fire cracker, but almost instantly determined it was gun fire from the panic which ensued. After the shots ceased, [REDACTED]

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was unable to hear anything in his left ear for approximately two hours. After the shots were fired, [REDACTED] saw President Reagan pushed to the ground by a member of his Protective Detail and at the same time someone else in the President's party raised a black attache case as if to shield the President from further gunfire.

Immediately thereafter, [REDACTED] was pushed to the ground by a number of police officers and Secret Service Agents who grabbed someone almost immediately next to [REDACTED]. In the scuffle, [REDACTED] was knocked to the ground and looked up only to see a pile of bodies on top of someone. [REDACTED] could not see the individual being tackled by the Secret Service and D.C. Police Officers.

At that time, [REDACTED] looked up and saw the President's limousine exiting the driveway and a number of individuals including Press Secretary Brady lying on the sidewalk, apparently shot. [REDACTED] got up and ran inside the hotel to call [REDACTED] and file his initial story.

[REDACTED] advised he had only been standing in the line where the shooting took place approximately one minute when the President emerged and the firing began. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised his home telephone number is [REDACTED] and he can be reached at that number or his [REDACTED] number of [REDACTED] for further details. [REDACTED]

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On April 3, 1981, [REDACTED]

telephonically advised to the best of his recollection (b)(7)(c): (D)
 he knew of no [REDACTED] at the scene of the
 assault of President Ronald Reagan, March 30, 1981, other
 than [REDACTED] listed as follows:

[REDACTED]

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[redacted] advised that he [redacted] had made arrangements with [redacted] to photograph the President. [redacted]

On Monday, March 30, 1981, [redacted] advised that he arrived at the White House at [redacted]

[redacted] join the press pool accompanying the President to the Washington, D.C., Hilton Hotel. At approximately 2:00 PM, [redacted] advised that he went along with the press pool to the Hilton and (photographed) the President making his speech there.

[redacted] accompanied the press outside of the Hilton and continued (taking photographs)

[redacted] heard the shots and at first he thought that they were Chinese fireworks. [redacted] advised that the shots were very near to him. [redacted] advised that he saw Secret Service Agents call over a man. [redacted] began to (take photos) very quickly. [redacted] advised that he (took photos) of the three men that were shot lying on the ground.

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[REDACTED]
Additionally, [REDACTED] advised that there were alot of excitement and cries all around him.

After [REDACTED] changed film in his camera, he was unable to (continue photographing) as the Secret Service had closed off the area. [REDACTED] then took a taxi back to the White House.

[REDACTED] advised that he could be contacted at the following locations should additional information be needed:

Home address [REDACTED]
telephone number [REDACTED]

Work address [REDACTED]
number [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised
as follows:

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[REDACTED] advised that at the time of the shootings he was inside the hotel near the main ballroom. He heard about the shooting, ran outside and (began filming) just as the second ambulance departed. He stated that he (took both a green and white and a white tape)

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[redacted], phone number [redacted]
home address [redacted]
phone number [redacted] advised as follows:

[redacted] indicated that he and [redacted] were assigned to cover the President's speech at the Washington Hilton on March 30, 1981. [redacted] stated that they arrived at the hotel at approximately 1130 p.m., that afternoon and set up their camera [redacted]

[redacted] and the President's Press Secretary Jim Brady. [redacted] stated that he and his crew spoke to the Press Secretary just prior to the President's speech and intended to focus their (filming) that afternoon around the President and his association with [redacted]

[redacted] stated that the President arrived at approximately 2:00 p.m., and started his speech which lasted approximately 20-minutes. After the speech the President exited the room and went out the VIP exit of the hotel. The news personnel were forced to exit via the main entrance. [redacted] stated that he and his crew hurried out the main entrance of the hotel for fear that they would miss the President. [redacted] and his crew exited the main entrance they noticed that the President had just exited the VIP entrance and was walking towards his limousine which was parked further down the drive-thru towards [redacted]

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the main entrance. [REDACTED] stated that just as he noticed the President, he and [REDACTED] began (filming). At about the same second that [REDACTED] started his (camera) [REDACTED] heard what he thought were five shots ringing out. At this point he and [REDACTED] were approximately 30 to 35 feet away from the President. [REDACTED] stated that he looked first at the President and saw only his head which at that point ducked down. [REDACTED] said that he next looked towards the right of where the President was and saw a very tall man jump on another. [REDACTED] indicated that the tall man was about eight feet from the President. [REDACTED] indicated that three more individuals then jumped on the person being subdued by the tall man. [REDACTED] then looked back towards the President and saw him being pushed into the car and then the limousine drove off at a high rate of speed. [REDACTED] advised he then looked back to the right and saw many people that were previously around the VIP entrance running down towards him and his crew. He saw what he believed to be a Secret Service Agent push a man up against the wall. [REDACTED] stated that he noticed the three other individuals lying on the ground and he and [REDACTED] moved in towards the wounded victims to (photograph) them.

[REDACTED] indicated that he did not notice the assailant prior to the shooting and only noticed him at a distance when he was being subdued by the Secret Service Agents. In addition [REDACTED] indicated that he had heard five shots but later had listened to a videotape and determined that there were actually six shots fired. [REDACTED] advised that he and his crew stayed in the area and interviewed various individuals until approximately 3:30 that afternoon and then left. The following information was determined through interview and observation regarding [REDACTED]

Date of birth: [REDACTED]

SSAN: [REDACTED]

Place of birth: [REDACTED]

Height: [REDACTED]

Weight: [REDACTED]

Scars: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] indicated that while in Washington, D.C., he has been residing at the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] indicated that he would
be remaining at the [REDACTED] until mid-April.

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[REDACTED] telephone number [REDACTED], and residing at [REDACTED] was interviewed at his place of employment where [REDACTED] was advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and nature of inquiry. [REDACTED] advised as follows:

On March 30, 1991, [REDACTED] was located at the Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., for purposes of covering President Ronald Reagan's appearance before a labor group for [REDACTED] when President Reagan arrived at the hotel, [REDACTED] was the [REDACTED] in the cordoned off press area, but he requested the police to move eight or ten bystanders out of this area. [REDACTED] then followed the President into the hotel to hear his speech, now being joined by the news pool reporters.

When the President finished his speech, [REDACTED] exited the hotel for purposes of getting a good spot in the cordoned-off press area where he hoped to ask the President a question about Poland when the President left the hotel. [REDACTED] fought their way to the front of the cordoned off area, being joined there [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] as well as [REDACTED] was also in the front row, one spot removed from the wall to [REDACTED] right.

When President Reagan exited the hotel via the VIP entrance and was waving to the crowd, [REDACTED] heard four or five shots from his right or slightly behind him. [REDACTED] also noticed white puffs on the ground in front of the press area, and heard an individual behind him yell "firecrackers," which were [REDACTED] original impression as what the sounds were from. When [REDACTED] realized the sounds were gun fire, [REDACTED] backed up toward the main entrance to the hotel, observing at the same time police officers jumping on a white

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male, blonde hair, five feet ten inches tall and being in his late thirties or early forties of age. [REDACTED] also observed police officer throw a trench coat over this individual's head and place him in a police cruiser.

[REDACTED] also stated [REDACTED] advised him that [REDACTED] had observed an individual running from the scene after the gun fire.

In addition to the above, [REDACTED] provided two rough sketches of the scene described above, noting his position and the position of the assailant. [REDACTED] signed and dated these sketches.

[REDACTED]

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On April 7, 1981, SA [redacted] contacted [redacted]
[redacted] telephone [redacted], concerning the helco
listed individuals employed by [redacted]

Mr. [redacted]
Mr. [redacted]

Mr. [redacted] advised that only [redacted] was
detailed on March 30, 1981, to cover President Reagan's speech
to the Building Trades Union at the Washington Hilton Hotel.
[redacted] advised that [redacted] remained on assignment
with the union group following the President's departure from
the hotel and did not (photograph) or witness the assassination
attempt.
[redacted]

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[redacted] telephone [redacted] was contacted at his residence. [redacted] was advised of the official identity of the interviewing agents and thereafter provided the following information concerning the attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan. ([redacted])

[redacted] and on March 30, 1981 was working with a crew consisting of himself, [redacted] and [redacted] and his crew arrived at the Washington Hilton Hotel on Connecticut Avenue, N.W., and set up for the arrival of President Reagan, who was coming to the hotel to make a speech to the Trade Unions. The [redacted] took a position on the left side of the driveway of the hotel on T Street, located to the right of the VIP entrance to the Hilton. The crew was stationed behind a line set up by the police and security forces which was approximately at a gutter crossing the sidewalk next to the driveway. This was several yards from the VIP entrance. [redacted] crew covered Reagan's arrival and then entered the hotel through the lobby and set up their (camera equipment to take photos) of the President during his speech in the main ball room of the hotel. P.O. [redacted]

Toward the end of the President's speech, [redacted] and his crew returned to the front of the hotel by way of the lobby and took up their former position which had been [redacted] advised that he was stationed immediately behind [redacted] This position was necessary for [redacted] to maintain inasmuch as his (sound equipment) must remain connected to the (video camera) held by [redacted] There was another camera crew, this one [redacted] immediately to [redacted] (left.) This crew consisted of [redacted] and his video crew. There is a wall next to the sidewalk on which [redacted] was standing and he believes he was positioned approximately four persons from the wall. [redacted] was facing [redacted]

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down the driveway in a southwesterly position in such a manner that he would be able to see the President heading toward his limousine after the President departed the VIP entrance of the hotel.

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When the President and his party emerged from the hotel and began walking toward the car, [REDACTED] noticed the President turn toward the crowd of reporters and begin to wave. At that point, [REDACTED] heard a number of sounds which he believed to be small caliber gunfire. He is uncertain of the number but estimated it to be more than four and less than seven. [REDACTED] indicated he had a "gut feeling" that the number of shots he heard was five. At the time the shooting occurred, [REDACTED] was wearing an earpiece in his right ear and therefore heard the gunfire in his left ear. For this reason, he at first believed the shots to be coming from an area to his left. He attributed this to the sound bouncing off the wall to his right and across the building immediately across the street from the hotel.

[REDACTED] looked to his right and saw several Secret Service Agents engaged in a struggle with someone whom [REDACTED] could not see. He attempted to make certain the connection between his (sound equipment and the camera) was not broken so that he could preserve the events as they were taking place. [REDACTED] was afraid the police would order (the cameras) to shut down and he made a comment to a nearby policeman, telling the officer he wanted to keep recording the event because the police and Secret Service would want to view the films at a later date.

[REDACTED] later saw a gun which he described as a police service revolver being carried away by a Secret Service Agent. The gun was being carried attached to a handcuff.

[REDACTED] never actually saw the assailant. He did notice that it was very unusual for the police to allow spectators in the area in which he was working, since that area is normally reserved for the Press. [REDACTED] stated he has heard from various Secret Service Agents that they like to use the Press Pool as a sort of buffer zone between the spectators and the President. [REDACTED] and his crew had earlier commented to each other about the lax security in allowing members of the public into the area at the Hilton where [REDACTED] and his crew were stationed. [REDACTED] indicated at the time of this conversation with his co-workers they were thinking more about the safety of the public who might get caught up in camera equipment being carried by the reporters.

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rather than considering an actual assassination attempt.

The following description of [REDACTED] was obtained through observation and interview:

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Sex:
Race:
Height:
Weight:
Date of Birth:
Place of Birth:

[REDACTED]

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(b)(7)(C)

[redacted] phone number [redacted]
 [redacted] home address [redacted]
 [redacted] phone number [redacted] advised as follows:

[redacted] indicated that his camera crew consists of three individuals including himself. [redacted] stated that [redacted]

[redacted] advised that his crew was assigned to cover the President's speech at the Washington Hilton on March 30, 1981. [redacted] indicated that he and his camera crew arrived at the hotel at about 1:30 p.m., and filmed the President's speech which lasted about 20 minutes. White indicated that after the speech the President exited the hotel by the VIP entrance and the press exited the hotel by the main entrance.

[redacted] advised that as soon as his crew exited the main entrance they saw the President exiting the VIP entrance. [redacted] stated that he immediately positioned the (video-camera on his shoulder) and at the instance he turned (the camera on) he heard a burst of six shots which lasted approximately three seconds. [redacted] turned to his left towards the President and saw him duck. Immediately thereafter, the President was pushed into his limousine. [redacted] stated that at this time he was standing at the back of the limousine in the drive-thru. After the President's car had left he (focused his camera) on the apparent assailant and the three victims. [redacted] stated that there were numerous individuals on top of the assailant and the assailant was later pinned against the wall by these same individuals. [redacted] stated that he did not see the assailant prior to the President's appearance at the hotel or prior to the actual shooting itself.

[redacted] further advised that he and his crew remained in the area and interviewed other eyewitnesses to the shooting until approximately 3:30 p.m. The following information was

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SA [redacted]

and [redacted]

One day

determined through interview and observation of [REDACTED];

(b)(7)(C)(D)

Date of birth: [REDACTED]

SSAN: [REDACTED]

Height: [REDACTED]

Weight: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] indicated that while on assignment in Washington, D.C., he has been residing at the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] indicated that he would be remaining in the Washington area until mid-April.

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[redacted] telephone number [redacted] and residing at [redacted] telephone number [redacted] was interviewed at his place of employment where [redacted] was advised of the identity of interviewing agent and nature of inquiry. [redacted] advised as follows:

On March 30, 1981, [redacted] was assigned [redacted] to provide film coverage of President Ronald Reagan's appearance at the Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., WDC. [redacted] was accompanied by [redacted]

While waiting for the President to exit the hotel, [redacted] were located in the first row of a cordoned off press area to the left of a VIP door President Reagan was to exit from. Also in the front row were [redacted]

[redacted] and [redacted] also noticed a large contingent of the general public in the press area.

At approximately 2:30 p.m., President Reagan exited the VIP door and responded by waving to a call to the Presidents' left of "Mr. President." [redacted] estimated the President to be three or four feet from the press line at this time.

[redacted] then stated he heard a rapid succession of sounds to his back and right which he first presumed to be firecrackers. [redacted] then noticed agents of the United States Secret Service (USSS) push the President into his limousine and speed off. [redacted] became aware there had been a shooting when he saw Presidential Press Secretary James Brady on the ground in front of the press

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SA [redacted]

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area bleeding from the head, as well as a Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) officer and USSS agent on the ground.

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To [redacted] right in the front row of the press line, [redacted] then observed police officers holding a blond white male to the ground. This individual, who was holding a gun in his hand while being held down by the police, was put under control and placed into a MPD cruiser. [redacted] could not provide a further description of this individual, and [redacted] noted that due to the fact his camera is held on his right shoulder, this may have prevented [redacted] from getting a better look at this person.

In addition to the above, [redacted] provided and signed and dated two sketches of the area where the above events occurred. One of these sketches, also signed by [redacted]

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[REDACTED] telephone number [REDACTED] was interviewed at the White House concerning the assassination attempt of President Ronald Reagan. She provided the following information: (b)(7)(C)

[REDACTED] stated that she was standing under the canopy of the Washington Hilton Hotel with other members of the Press Pool when she saw the President come out of a side door entrance and suddenly heard what sounded like firecrackers or gunshots. She stated she heard a succession of shots that appeared to be that of a small caliber gun. She observed everybody in the crowd fall to the ground and heard everyone shout and everything turning into chaos.

[REDACTED] stated that she had not seen the individual who had fired the gunshots.

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by SA [REDACTED] (b)(7)(C)

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(b)(7)(c)

who was interviewed at his residence,

and whose telephone

furnished the following information. Present during the interview, and providing a spread of 13 photographs which were displayed to [redacted] was Special Agent (SA) [redacted] of the Washington Field Office of the United States Secret Service (USSS), telephone (202) 634-5100.

On March 30, 1981,

(b)(7)(c): (E)

After the Presidential party entered the Hilton, [redacted] was joined by [redacted] USA and [redacted]

(b)(7)(c)

USA [redacted] was somewhat unsure of the names of the men [redacted]

[redacted] 45 minutes awaiting the return of the Presidential party.

After about ten minutes, [redacted] noted the presence [redacted]

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(b)(7)(c)

and

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

About five minutes prior to the egress of the Presidential party, a TV "mini-cam" crew consisting of three individuals came out of the hotel and went to a position at the barricade. On the opposite side of the barricade was a Washington, D.C. (WDC) Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) officer standing by the wall, of which the VIP entrance is part. The barricade was approximately 15 feet from the VIP entrance. The "mini-cam" crew and the MPD officer were the only persons in addition to the [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] noted at the barricade at that time. However, [REDACTED] was mainly drawn to watching [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] could not

definitely say there was no one else at the barricade at the time.

Then a large contingent of press and other people came out of the Terrace Level exit and approached the barricade, at which point [REDACTED] lost sight of [REDACTED] Al- most immediately thereafter, [REDACTED] saw [REDACTED] (a member of the Presidential party) appear around the curve in the block wall from the direction of the VIP exit, followed shortly by President Reagan. [REDACTED] saw the President wave to the crowd ahead of him, then wave to his left, at which point [REDACTED] heard four evenly spaced cracking sounds, much like a string of firecrackers exploding. The sounds came directly from the area of the barricade where he had last seen [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] initial reaction was to think, "That fool

has set off some firecrackers,"

The motorcade then sped away from the scene, approximately 30 to 45 seconds from the moment [redacted] heard the cracking noises.

[redacted] furnished a hand drawn sketch depicting his position relative to the VIP entrance and the barricade.

[redacted] then viewed a 13 photograph spread containing the following pictures:

1. [redacted]

2. [redacted]

3. [redacted]

4. [redacted]

5. [redacted]

6. [redacted]

7. [redacted]

8. John Warnock Hinckley, w/m.

9. [redacted]

10. [redacted]

11. [redacted]

12. [redacted]

13. [redacted]

(The above photos were retained by the interviewing agent and have been placed in a separate FD-340 envelope.)

From the above photographs, without hesitation, [redacted] selected the photo of [redacted] as being of the person to whom he had been referring during the above interview, the person designated as [redacted] denied having seen any photos of [redacted] prior to this interview. The only other knowledge [redacted] had of [redacted] was furnished to him later in the evening of March 30, 1981, by Sergeant [redacted]

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X [redacted] United States
Army [redacted] was interviewed by the below
listed agent in the company of Special Agent [redacted]
United States Secret Service. [redacted] was advised of the
nature of this inquiry, and investigation into the attempted
assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981. D.

On the afternoon in question, [redacted] (b)(7)(C)
[redacted] (E)
[redacted] (b)(2)

When
the motorcade arrived at the Washington Hilton Hotel and
[redacted] When they noticed the
press coming out of the T Street door of the hotel
[redacted] Looking towards the VIP entrance,
he saw President Reagan exit the building, walk several steps,
and raise his left hand waiving towards the area where the
press had gathered. He heard several shots, quickly ducked
[redacted] When he looked up a few seconds later, he
noticed the motorcade beginning to leave the area quickly
[redacted] stated that at no time did
he ever notice the subject who was later arrested or did he
see the weapon or the firing of this weapon.

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[redacted] and [redacted]

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[redacted] United States Army [redacted] was interviewed by the below listed agent, in the company of Special Agent [redacted] United States Secret Service. [redacted] was advised of the nature of this inquiry, an investigation into the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981. D.C.

On the afternoon of March 30, 1981, [redacted]

(b)(7)(C)(D)

(b)(2)

Upon arrival at the hotel, [redacted]

[redacted] street entrance to the hotel. His view of the VIP exit for the hotel and of the Presidential limousine was blocked by the press which was lined up along the sidewalk. When [redacted]

he started the motor of his car. Sometime after [redacted] heard five or six shots being fired. [redacted]

When the shooting stopped, he looked up and saw that the Presidential limousine had already started moving. He quickly followed and left the area.

[redacted] stated that he did not see either the subject, or the subject's weapon. (b)(7)(C)

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(X) (b)(7)(C)
[redacted] was interviewed by the below
listed agent in the company of Special Agent (SA) [redacted]
United States Secret Service. [redacted] was advised
of the nature of this investigation, and inquiry into the
attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30,
1981. (b)(7)(C):(E)
(b)(2)

[redacted] stated that
he arrived at the Washington Hilton Hotel [redacted]

Later, [redacted]

[redacted] Having gotten answers
to his questions, [redacted] then turned his back on the scene
and again [redacted] He quickly heard noise
indicating that the President was coming. [redacted] turned
around and looked in the President's direction, seeing him
stand with his arm raised waving at the crowd. At that
instance, [redacted] thought to himself how healthy the Presi-
dent looks. [redacted] then turned his back on the scene once
again and [redacted] He soon heard several
shots (exact number not recalled). He turned once again in
the direction of the President and saw only the Secret Service
agent falling to the ground. [redacted] quickly [redacted]

(b)(7)(C)
[redacted] stated that at no time did he ever see
or notice the subject who was later arrested for the shooting
of President Reagan. The only individual who did attract
the attention of the [redacted]

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[REDACTED]

He is certain, however, that this individual
[REDACTED] was not the subject later placed under
arrest.

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On March 31, 1981, [redacted] voluntarily provided the following information:

[redacted] (b)(7)(c)

[redacted] stated that on March 30, 1981, President Reagan was scheduled to speak before a convention of the Building and Construction Trades Union, AFL/CIO at the Washington Hilton Hotel, Washington, D.C. At 1:50 p.m. that day, [redacted] greeted President Reagan and Secretary of Labor Donovan at the curbside outside the Hilton's Presidential entrance. Once inside the Hilton, President Reagan took the elevator down one floor to the hotel's Presidential Holding Area. RAYMOND J. DONOVAN

[redacted] advised that as soon as President Reagan descended in the elevator, he [redacted] ran down an adjacent flight of stairs to the holding area. [redacted] greeted President Reagan in the holding area and introduced the President to [redacted] the Building and Construction Trades Union, AFL/CIO.

[redacted] stated that President Reagan was announced to the convention at 2:00 p.m., and began speaking at 2:03 p.m. President Reagan concluded his speech at approximately 2:25 p.m. and left the convention hall shortly thereafter. President Reagan took the elevator back up to the street level, with [redacted] again using the stairs.

[redacted] stated that the first person on the White House staff to exit the Hilton was [redacted] who ran to the press area to coordinate the usual media coverage of the President.

[redacted] exited the Hilton with [redacted] followed by President Reagan, the President's Secret Service personnel, James Brady, Colonel [redacted] and [redacted] as follows: [redacted] described [redacted] members of the White House staff. (b)(7)(c)

As [redacted] walked alongside [redacted] [redacted]

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by SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] Date dictated 4/1/81

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(b)(2)

[REDACTED] stated that at this point he was approximately ten feet ahead of the President. [REDACTED] walked to the back of the President's limousine, and [REDACTED] moved to his right and stopped to avoid being visible in the media coverage of the President. [REDACTED] stated that as he stood there he noticed an unusually large number of cameras behind the rope line area. (b)(7)(c)

President Reagan walked past [REDACTED] on his way to his limousine. As [REDACTED] was looking toward the President, he heard sounds in rapid succession coming from his left. Initially he thought the sounds came from firecrackers. Almost simultaneously to hearing the sounds, [REDACTED] was hit in the left side of his face by particles that felt like sand. [REDACTED] also felt a light tap on his left arm near his elbow. [REDACTED] realized the sound was gunfire, however, he did not see anyone with a gun. [REDACTED] stated he heard more than three shots fired.

As [REDACTED] moved toward the President's limousine, he saw James Brady hit the sidewalk. [REDACTED] stated he decided the Secret Service Agents were in a better position to assist the President, so he ran toward Brady instead.

Brady was lying face down over a sidewalk grate beside a Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) officer. The MPD officer was shouting, "I'm hit, I'm hit," and was kicking Brady with his legs. [REDACTED] stated that Brady was completely still, with blood dripping from his head into the sidewalk grate. [REDACTED] recalls his handkerchief instantly filling with blood as he attempted to stop Brady's bleeding.

[REDACTED] noticed a gun lying on the sidewalk near Brady's head. A Secret Service Agent pushed the gun a few inches to get it away from Brady's head. The gun looked like a thirty-eight caliber blue steel service revolver, not having a snub nose barrel length. [REDACTED] stated that when the ambulance crew arrived, he noticed that the MPD officer had his gun holstered. (b)(7)(c)

[REDACTED] advised that the President's visit to the Hilton was routine in every way, preceding the shooting. [REDACTED] and Secret Service advance man [REDACTED] discussed the security arrangements prior to the visit. (b)(2)

[redacted] stated that he did not notice the suspect John Hinckley in the crowd near the Hilton. [redacted] did notice three uniformed officers standing in front of the rope line area upon the President's arrival and departure. [redacted] recalls one of the officers was a Hilton security guard.

[redacted] provided the interviewing agents with a rough sketch of the Presidential holding area and a rough sketch of the Hilton's Presidential entranceway.

The following information concerning [redacted] was obtained through observation and interview:

Race:
Sex:
Date of Birth:
Washington, D.C.
address:
Home address:

[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

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On April 9, 1981, Mr. [REDACTED] Special (b)(7)(C)
 Assistant to the President [REDACTED] was contacted
 by Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] by telephone [REDACTED]
 at his office in the White House [REDACTED]
 advised that he resides at [REDACTED]

Mr. [REDACTED] stated that on March 30, 1981, he
 arrived at the Washington Hilton Hotel well before the
 arrival of the President to coordinate with the various
 AFI-CIO dignitaries. He stated that he was at no time in
 the area where the shooting took place and has no direct
 knowledge concerning the shooting.

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(b)(7)(c)

[redacted] who was interviewed at his residence, [redacted] and whose [redacted] telephone [redacted] furnished the following information. Present during the interview, and providing a spread of 13 photographs which were displayed to [redacted] was Special Agent (SA) [redacted] of the Washington Field Office of the United States Secret Service (USSS), telephone (202) 634-5100. (b)(7)(c)(e)

On March 30, 1981, [redacted]

After the Presidential party entered the Hilton, (b)(7)(c) USA was joined by [redacted] and [redacted] USA [redacted] was somewhat unsure of the names of the men [redacted]

[redacted] 45 minutes awaiting the return of the Presidential party. (b)(7)(c)

After about ten minutes, [redacted] noted the presence [redacted]

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About five minutes prior to the egress of the Presidential party, a TV "mini-cam" crew consisting of three individuals came out of the hotel and went to a position at the barricade. On the opposite side of the barricade was a Washington, D.C. (WDC) Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) Officer standing by the wall, of which the VIP entrance is part. The barricade was approximately 15 feet from the VIP entrance. The "mini-cam" crew and the MPD officer were the only persons in addition to [redacted] that [redacted] noted at the barricade at that time. However, [redacted] was mainly drawn to watching [redacted] and [redacted] could not definitely say there was no one else at the barricade at the time.

Then a large contingent of press and other people came out of the Terrace Level exit and approached the barricade, at which point [redacted] lost sight of [redacted]. Almost immediately thereafter, [redacted] saw [redacted] (a member of the Presidential party) appear around the curve in the block wall from the direction of the VIP exit, followed shortly by President Reagan. [redacted] saw the President wave to the crowd ahead of him, then wave to his left, at which point [redacted] heard four evenly spaced cracking sounds, much like a string of firecrackers exploding. The sounds came directly from the area of the barricade where he had last seen [redacted]. [redacted] initial reaction was to think, "That fool

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has set off some firecrackers," [REDACTED]

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The motorcade [REDACTED] then sped away from the scene, approximately 30 to 45 seconds from the moment [REDACTED] heard the cracking noises.

[REDACTED] furnished a hand drawn sketch depicting his position relative to the VIP entrance and the barricade.

[REDACTED] then viewed a 13 photograph spread containing the following pictures:

1. [REDACTED]
2. [REDACTED]
3. [REDACTED]
4. [REDACTED]
5. [REDACTED]
6. [REDACTED]
7. [REDACTED]
8. John Warnock Hinckley, w/m.
9. [REDACTED]
10. [REDACTED]
11. [REDACTED]
12. [REDACTED]
13. [REDACTED]

(The above photos were retained by the interviewing agent and have been placed in a separate FD-340 envelope.)

From the above photographs, without hesitation, [REDACTED] selected the photo of [REDACTED] as being of the person to whom he had been referring during the above interview, the person designated as [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] denied having seen any photos of [REDACTED] prior to this interview. The only other knowledge [REDACTED] had of [REDACTED] was furnished to him later in the evening of March 30, 1981, by Sergeant [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Assistant to the President and [REDACTED] White House was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the purpose of this interview, that is an investigation of the assault on President Reagan March 30, 1981. D.C. (H)(7)(C)

[REDACTED] stated that he exited the Washington Hilton Hotel on the afternoon of March 30, 1981, with the President. As is his custom in such cases, [REDACTED] proceeded to the Presidential Limousine, passing the right rear door and attempting to proceed around the rear of the car to enter the left rear door of this Limousine. As [REDACTED] and the Presidential party approached the Limousine, he heard screams from the pre positioned press photographers area called "Mr. President". At that time, the President looked in that direction, raising his left arm to wave. [REDACTED] immediately heard several shots (the exact number not recalled). He quickly lowered his head and ran toward the first open car, believed to be the fourth car back in line. He entered the car and it quickly drove from the scene.

[REDACTED] repeated that he never did see the subject, either before the shooting or afterward. He is unable either to describe him or to identify him.

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SAs [REDACTED]

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[redacted] Special Assistant to the President of the United States, home address [redacted] was interviewed by SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] (b)(7)(c)

Mr. [redacted] advised that he has travelled with President Reagan for the past [redacted] years. He provided the following description of the events surrounding the shooting incident at the Washington Hilton Hotel on March 30, 1981:

Before the President made his exit from the hotel just prior to the shooting incident, Mr. [redacted] walked out of the hotel exit with [redacted] Staff Assistant to the President of the United States. Mr. [redacted] remembered suggesting to Mr. [redacted] at this point that the next time the President speaks at the Hilton [redacted] (b)(7)(c)

[redacted] The discussion continued as Mr. [redacted] and Mr. [redacted] walked out of the door. As they walked toward the presidential limousine, they agreed [redacted]

Mr. [redacted] stated that he usually goes directly to the rear door of the presidential limousine to wait for the President. However, on this occasion Mr. [redacted] headed toward the tail end of the presidential limousine. Mr. [redacted] stated that he does not know why he varied his routine on this occasion. (b)(7)(c)

Mr. [redacted] stated that as he got to the rear of the limousine, he heard three "pops." There was a pause between either the first and second pop, or the second and third pop. Mr. [redacted] felt shock waves simultaneously with the sounds. Then there was another rapid succession of "pops." Mr. [redacted] realizing the sounds were gunfire, ducked behind the tail end of the presidential limousine. There were at least five gunshots. Shortly afterward, [redacted] crouched behind the limousine to the right of Mr. [redacted]. Then both Mr. [redacted] and Mr. [redacted] got up and saw the [redacted] coming toward them. At this point Mr. [redacted] and Mr. [redacted] (b)(7)(c)

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SA [redacted]

SA [redacted]

(b)(7)(c)

_____ began running for the _____

(b)(2)

When Mr. _____

Mr. _____ and _____ reached the _____ the President's limousine had not yet made its departure.

Mr. _____ stated that during the incident he did not see anyone get hit by gunfire because he was behind the tail end of the President's limousine. Mr. _____ was facing away from the direction where he believed the source of the gunfire was, and did not see any muzzle flashes or the assailant.

(b)(7)(c)

In the _____ were the military driver, Mr. _____

(b)(7)(c)

and _____

The President's _____

(b)(2)

limousine took off; _____

As the motorcade proceeded, Mr. _____ observed President Reagan sitting in the back seat of his limousine. _____

_____ speaking cryptically through the _____ transmitter, asked whether everything was all right. He received a short answer indicating the affirmative. Now Mr. _____ thought that the President had not been injured, and that the motorcade was heading back to the White House. As the motorcade continued, Mr. _____ realized that it was not taking its usual route back to the White House.

(b)(7)(c)

Mr. _____ stated that he knew something was wrong when the motorcade pulled up to George Washington Hospital. President Reagan was observed walking into the hospital under his own power, although he appeared pale and shaken. When inside the hospital lobby, President Reagan faltered, and was steadied by Secret Service Agents. President Reagan then appeared to pass out, but was caught before falling by the Secret Service Agents.

Mr. _____ again reflected back on the events surrounding the departure of the motorcade from the Hilton Hotel. He stated that the Military aide, _____, was somewhere behind President Reagan when the shooting occurred. After the shooting, _____ ran out in front of the President's limousine and looped back to the _____ carrying a black brief case or hand-bag.

(b)(7)(c)

Mr. _____ stated that while the _____ was _____

(b)(7)(c)

(H)(2)

enroute to George Washington Hospital after the shooting incident, the military driver of the [REDACTED] mentioned something to him [REDACTED] (H)(7)(c) stated that the driver said that while he was waiting outside the Hilton for the speaking engagement to [REDACTED]

Mr. [REDACTED] stated that he did not check his watch at the time, but he would estimate that the shooting took place at approximately 2:20 P.M. (H)(7)(c)

Mr. [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED], White House Aide, was responsible for moving the White House press pool in and out of the area. Mr. [REDACTED] stressed that during or before the speaking engagement at the Washington Hilton on March 30, 1981, nothing unusual occurred. He added that President Reagan has been visiting the Washington Hilton about once every two weeks, and that this was a routine visit.

Since the shooting incident occurred, Mr. [REDACTED] was given several items belonging to President Reagan. These items include [REDACTED] These items were turned over to another FBI Special Agent by Mr. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised that on the afternoon of March 30, 1961, he was assigned the task of recording the President's remarks at the Washington Hilton Hotel and his arrival and departure. [REDACTED] exited the Washington Hilton Hotel in the group of "pool" reporters. This small group left the hotel by the T Street entrance and were led by White House Staff Liaisonman [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] quickly proceeded to the vicinity of the rope line which was already stretched across the sidewalk. He positioned himself in the second row back from the rope. [REDACTED] was in the process of getting up his audio equipment when he looked up and saw the President, who had already exited the hotel, raising his arm to wave to the crowd. From [REDACTED] right side he heard "Mr. President, Mr. President". This call was quickly followed by several shots (exact number not recalled). [REDACTED] quickly crouched down, seeing absolutely nothing but sidewalk for several seconds. Not knowing precisely what his responsibilities were, he quickly moved out from the immediate area. [REDACTED] re-entered the hotel by the T Street entrance and stayed there for about 1/2 of a minute. He then came back outside, stood off at a distance, and recorded the entire scene as it was happening.

[REDACTED] stated that at no time did he ever see the subject. When he looked in that direction, the subject was surrounded by a large group of people and could not be seen.

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[redacted] White House was advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and the purpose of this interview, that is an investigation of the assault on President Reagan March 30, 1981. (b)(7)(c)

[redacted] stated that on the afternoon of March 30, 1981, [redacted] A few minutes before the President exited the Washington Hilton Hotel, [redacted] than the VIP exit (to be used) by the President.

[redacted] to the area of the VIP exit and [redacted] behind the pre-positioned press and news photographers and slightly to their left. At the time the President exited the hotel, [redacted] had his back to the President and was in fact facing [redacted] Upon first hearing the noise which turned out to be shots, [redacted] originally thought they were firecrackers. After a second or two, he realized this could not be the case and quickly turned in the direction of the firing. He took two or three steps in that direction, noticing that the suspect was already surrounded by a large group of agents and policemen. At that time, [redacted] immediately stopped, turned around and attempted to control the crowd which was beginning to gather. [redacted] stated that he [redacted]

[redacted] stated that he never did get a good view of the suspect and could neither identify him nor describe him.

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[redacted] White House, was interviewed by the below listed agent in the company of Special Agent (SA) [redacted], United States Secret Service. (b)(7)(c)

4. [redacted] was advised of the nature of this inquiry, and investigation of the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981. [redacted] stated that on that afternoon, she exited the Washington Hilton Hotel through the VIP exit during the applause for the ending of the President's speech. This put her several seconds in front of the President and his party in exiting the hotel. She proceeded to the staff car, [redacted] (b)(2)

[redacted] She entered this car by means of the left rear door and had just seated herself when she looked up and heard shots being fired. She saw the President looking in the direction of the press and saw a U.S. Secret Service agent quickly push the President into the limousine.

[redacted] stated that at no time did she ever notice the subject or see him firing the gun.

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[REDACTED] White House was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the purpose of this interview, that is an investigation of the assault on President Reagan March 30, 1981.

[REDACTED] stated that on March 30, 1981, he exited the Washington Hilton Hotel in the company of the President's private physician. [REDACTED] and the physician were three or four steps behind the President as they exited the hotel. [REDACTED] stated that he was to the President's left while the physician was to the President's right.

Upon hearing shots beginning fired, [REDACTED] immediately hit the ground, and kept low. At that time, he landed immediately next to the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) officer who was in fact injured. He recalls hearing the officer say "I'm hit, I'm hit". When [REDACTED] was certain that the gun fire had stopped, he quickly picked up [REDACTED] and fan. He called out for help for this injured MPD officer, noticing that the suspect was at that time surrounded by a large group of people. [REDACTED] recalls

[REDACTED] ran from his position in the same direction that the Presidential Limousine and party was headed. [REDACTED] ran past the injured Secret Service Agent. By this time, the Presidential Limousine was already moving out of the area and [REDACTED] quickly turned completely around and began running toward the third car in line, [REDACTED] entered this car as quickly as possible, noting that in addition to the driver the car also contained [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] both White House Officials. The car quickly left the area.

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[REDACTED] stated that he did not at any time run up or down any flight of stairs [REDACTED] His movements were confined to the immediate scene of the shooting and he left the area in the third vehicle in line.

[REDACTED] advised that he did not see the suspect either before the shooting or afterward. He could neither describe him nor identify him.

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THE WHITE HOUSE, WAS INTERVIEWED AT HIS PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT, CONCERNING THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT OF PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN. (b)(7)(C)

MR. [REDACTED] STATED THAT HE WAS STANDING BEHIND THE PRESIDENT'S LIMOUSINE, WHEN HE HEARD A NOISE THAT SOUNDED LIKE A FIRECRACKER. HE THEN HEARD THREE MORE SHOTS FIRED AND SUDDENLY DROCKED BEHIND A FOLLOW-UP VEHICLE PARKED BEHIND THE PRESIDENT'S LIMOUSINE.

MOMENTS LATER, HE OBSERVED JIM HADY, THE PRESIDENT'S PRESS SECRETARY, LYING ON THE SIDEWALK. HE TRIED TO ADMINISTER FIRST AID TO HIM, BUT HE WAS UNSUCCESSFUL. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, HE OBSERVED THE PRESIDENTIAL MOTORCADE DEPART THE AREA.

MR. [REDACTED] STATED THAT AT NO TIME DID HE OBSERVE THE ALLEGED ASSAILANT.

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[REDACTED], was advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and the nature of their inquiry, then advised as follows:

She resides at [REDACTED]
telephone number [REDACTED]

She was standing at the office window awaiting President Reagan's departure from the Washington Hilton. The President came out of the hotel waving and smiling as he walked to his limousine.

The President was almost at the car when she heard four or five shots (she said they sounded like firecrackers). She then saw the President being pushed into the car, but she did not realize what had happened until she saw the Secret Service man fall to the ground. She did not see who fired the shots but from the reaction of the crowd, presumed the shots came in a direction from behind the President and to his left.

She said she did not get a good look at the man the police put into the patrol car. She remembered the man had blonde hair and was wearing what appeared to her to be a trench coat.

At the conclusion of the interview, she said she did not believe the security lines were as far away from the path the President took from the hotel to his car as they had seemed to her to have been on President Reagan's previous visits to the hotel.

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SA's [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] provided the following information:

[REDACTED] at 2 P.M. and saw President Reagan arrive at the Hilton across the street and enter the hotel.

He stated that at 2:25 P.M. he heard the police motorcycles start up and he went outside again to get another look at the President.

(Daracat) advised he saw the President exit the hotel, look to his right towards [REDACTED] and wave to the crowd. Then as the President turned towards his left, [REDACTED] heard four or five shots ring out. [REDACTED] stated then the Secret Service Agent pushed the President into the car and the car took off.

[REDACTED] advised that he could not see where the gunshots originated. He also advised that he did not see the alleged assailant at any time before, during or after the assassination attempt.

[REDACTED] advised that his home address is as follows:

[REDACTED]

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[redacted] telephone [redacted] was contacted at the Washington Hilton Hotel subsequent to the attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan. [redacted] was advised of the official identity of the interviewing agent and the nature of the inquiry and thereafter provided the following information:

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[redacted] At approximately 11:40 a.m. on March 30, 1981, she left her office to go to the Washington Hilton Hotel which is directly across the street from her place of employment. Her reason for doing this was to get a glimpse of President Reagan as he arrived at the Hilton for a speaking engagement. She was aware of the President's anticipated arrival, inasmuch as it was published in the newspapers. She exited her office on the T Street side of the building, crossed the street and stood among the members of the Press on a sidewalk on the West side of the drive of the Hilton on T Street. She stayed for approximately twenty minutes until President Reagan arrived in his limousine.

After Reagan entered the hotel she went back to her office and remained there until sometime after 2:00 p.m., at which time she returned to the hotel and took the same position that she had before. After standing for only a few minutes, she saw President Reagan and his party emerge from the VIP entrance to the left of the hotel driveway. She was again standing among members of the press directly behind a man whom she identified as [redacted]. She was talking to [redacted] and he jokingly told her to be certain not to block his camera angle.

As the President emerged from the hotel he walked toward his limousine which was parked to [redacted] left.

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SA [redacted]

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Reagan had turned around and was facing the direction from which he had just come when [REDACTED] yelled "Hello Mr. President". As [REDACTED] was making her greeting to the President, he turned in her direction and at that same instant she heard a shot ring out. Almost immediately [REDACTED] heard a volley of shots and estimated that a total of five shots were fired. [REDACTED] could not determine the direction of the gunfire and looked to the ground in time to see a white male lying on the sidewalk beside the President's limousine with his face covered with blood. [REDACTED] does not know the identity of this individual. At that time, someone began yelling for the crowd to "get back, get back into the lobby". [REDACTED] turned and hurriedly walked into the hotel lobby where she remained for what she estimates to be only a couple of minutes. She then exited the hotel via the glass lobby doors and walked directly across the street to her office. She took the elevator to her office and talked to two of her co-workers, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] about the incident. She could hear on a radio in her office a replay of the shooting incident and believes she heard her voice saying "Hello Mr. President" almost immediately before the gunfire began. She does not know what radio station this replay was on. (D.C.)

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She estimates she was only in her office one or two minutes and then realized she should return to the hotel since she had witnessed the shootings. She went back to the South side of T Street where she saw an individual she described as being a police officer in a white shirt who had a badge which said "Missouri" on it. She told this officer she had been an eyewitness to the shooting and he escorted her across T Street and back to the lobby of the hotel. She was then taken, along with several other persons, to a holding room and then to the ballroom of the hotel where she remained until the time of this interview.

[REDACTED] advised that the voice she heard on the radio when she went back to her office was that of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised she could not identify the assailant and did not see anything unusual prior to the shooting taking place.

The following description of [REDACTED] was obtained through observation and interview:

Sex: [REDACTED]
Race: [REDACTED]
Date of Birth: [REDACTED]
Place of Birth: [REDACTED]
Height: [REDACTED]

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Weight:
Hair:
Eyes:
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[redacted] Telephone [redacted] (b)(7)(C)(D)
[redacted] who resides at [redacted] was advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and the purpose of the interview and provided the following information:

[redacted] stated that from her vantage point she observed the President exit the VIP exit of the Washington Hilton Hotel at approximately 2:30 p.m. [redacted] indicated that she saw the President flanked by what she believed to be Secret Service Agents and proceeded by his staff members, wave first to the gathered spectators on his right and then to the photographers and crowd behind the roped off area adjacent to his limousine. [redacted] recalled first seeing two bright flashes of light which appeared from her observation point to be muzzle flashes just above the President's outstretched hand, followed by a pause and then three more flashes. She stated that slightly after the first flashes, she heard five muffled noises which she described as sounding like pips from a cap pistol. [redacted] advised that she viewed the above mentioned scene with co-worker, [redacted].

[redacted] She averred that she never observed the assailant or the weapon that fired the shots and from her location, could not identify any members of the crowd below. [redacted] concluded by saying that she was unable to provide any additional information of value.

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[REDACTED] was interviewed at her office and provided the following information:

[REDACTED] advised that on Monday afternoon, March 30, 1981, she was looking out the window across T Street towards the Hilton Hotel as she talked on the phone.

She stated that she saw President Reagan walk out of the Hilton, wave to the people to his right across T Street, and then she heard six gunshots. She advised that she saw the President being shoved into the limousine. After that car pulled away, she saw two bodies on the ground. [REDACTED] advised that she did not at any time view the assailant.

She also provided the following home address:

[REDACTED]

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Information:

He advised that somewhere between 2:00 and 2:30 p.m. on March 30, 1981, he was standing in the fourth floor reception area of the Riggs National Bank looking across the street through the VIP doors of the Hilton Hotel, where he was waiting to see President Reagan. [redacted] did see President Reagan and shortly after Mr. Reagan's emergence through the VIP doors, shots were fired and in fact one passed through the glass window above [redacted] and debris from this window thereafter hit [redacted] on the left side of his neck. [redacted] stated he was not hurt and that he did not know where the bullet came from. Thereafter he placed himself against the wall for protection.

Upon further questioning, [redacted] stated he does not know who fired the shot, he does not know what direction it came from but assures it had something to do with the attempt on President Reagan's life.

[redacted] further stated he could add no other information.

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[REDACTED] after being apprised of the identities of the interviewing agents and the nature of their inquiry, provided the following information:

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[REDACTED] awaiting President Reagan's exit from the Hilton Hotel across the street. The President emerged from the hotel at approximately 2:15 - 2:20 p.m., walking and speaking to the crowd as he went to his limousine. As he neared the car, she heard "pop-gun" shots, five or six in number.

She did not realize the President had been shot. She saw him shoved into his car and the car leave quickly. She recalls seeing people in the crowd running around and two men lying on the ground, evidently wounded.

She did not see the assailant until he was shown on television.

She presumed the shots came from the President's left considering that was the direction he was looking toward when she heard the shots.

[REDACTED] said she resides at [REDACTED]

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[redacted] telephone [redacted] D.C. (b)(7)(C) N

[redacted] was contacted at [redacted] at which time he advised he is a working in [redacted] at that address.

[redacted] stated that he knew the President of the United States was appearing at a convention across the street at the Hilton Hotel on March 30, 1981. [redacted] stated he wanted to catch a glimpse of the President, and therefore, he went and stood outside his building on T Street, which is immediately across the street from the Hilton Hotel. At approximately 2:20 to 2:30 p.m., he watched as the President emerged through the VIP doors across the street. [redacted] stated he only watched for the President and was not interested in any other people who might be around the President. He noticed the President, after emerging through the VIP doors, commenced waving to the crowd and shortly thereafter, [redacted] heard five shots which seemed to emanate from a small caliber weapon. There were three shots together and then another two shots together. [redacted] not knowing from which direction the shots were fired, placed himself against the wall immediately next to the T Street entrance. Upon placing himself against this wall and continuing to look across the street, [redacted] noticed that President Reagan was pushed into his limousine. About this time, [redacted] also noticed that there were four men on the ground and that someone was pinned against the wall across the street and all [redacted] could see were arms and legs in the struggle. He could not tell how many were involved but after a period of time he noticed that one individual had been subdued and dragged to a Metropolitan Police Department car where they were unable to open the rear door. The same individual was dragged, face down, to another police car where he was deposited therein. Thereafter, [redacted] watched ambulances come and go. The first ambulance took the Secret Service Agent, the second ambulance took an individual with a head wound (Brady) and the third ambulance took an individual with a neck wound.

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██████████ further advised that during all of the commotion and activity, he never did see President Reagan's assailant's face and therefore, would be unable to identify him other than through photographs shown on television and in the newspapers.

██████████ advised he was unable to furnish any other information at this time.

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[redacted] and who resides at [redacted] was interviewed regarding President Reagan's attempted assassination on March 30, 1981, and advised as follows: (b)(7)(c) (D)

On the afternoon of March 30, 1981, [redacted] came out of his office a total of three times in an attempt to see President Reagan who spoke at the Washington Hilton on that day.

The first time [redacted]

[redacted] he heard someone in the crowd state that President Reagan was due to arrive at the hotel in 25 minutes. When [redacted] came out for the first time he stood on the sidewalk by the wall between the terrace entrance to the hotel and the VIP entrance. [redacted] stood next to Mr. Sam Donaldson of ABC TV. From reading the news report of events which occurred that afternoon, [redacted] believes at that time, he was standing inches away from the place where the accused, John W. Hinckley, fired at the President. [redacted] cannot recall seeing anyone in the crowd at that time which resembled Hinckley, inasmuch as he was being distracted by [redacted]

The second time [redacted] came out was while President Reagan was already in the hotel. It was approximately five to ten minutes prior to President Reagan's exiting from the hotel. As [redacted] came out for the second time, he observed quite a few people around the Presidential limousine. At one point he noticed a [redacted] come

from across the street and almost rap at the driver's window of the Presidential limousine. She subsequently walked around that vehicle until D. C. Police Officer Dolahanty told her she had to leave. [redacted] stood outside the second [redacted]

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time, he again noticed the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] advised that U. S. police officers standing on the concrete above the sidewalk by the wall were aware of the white male speaking gibberish, and were watching him.

The third time [REDACTED] came out was when the press stormed out of the terrace entrance of the hotel as President Reagan was about to exit the VIP entrance of the hotel. This time [REDACTED] stopped under the large canopy next to the pillar closest to the VIP entrance, inasmuch as he wanted to stay away from the tall white male wearing the purple shirt. As [REDACTED] heard a number of people applauding to the President, [REDACTED] heard five squats which he described resembling firecrackers. Almost simultaneous with the "sounds" [REDACTED] heard, a Secret Service Agent shouted "get back," "get down." For a few seconds [REDACTED] recalls President Reagan being the only one standing up as the crowd ducked down. Then three Secret Service Agents "tackled" President Reagan and pushed him into the limousine.

At no time did [REDACTED] see the assailant.

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[redacted] residence [redacted]

(business phone [redacted])

[redacted] was interviewed by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] II, who identified himself as a SA of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). Brown was interviewed in Room [redacted] at her place of employment, and she furnished the following information:

[redacted] advised that on Monday, March 30, 1981, at the time of the shooting of President Reagan occurred, she was at her desk in [redacted]

[redacted] heard sounds like shots, five shots in all, and then heard someone outside on the street yelling, "Oh My God!". [redacted] ran to the window, saw one person on the ground, and people running everywhere. A co-worker said, "Get away from the window - guns everywhere". She next saw an ambulance arrive.

[redacted] advised she did not see the President's limousine, and did not see the actual shooting take place.

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[redacted] telephone [redacted] was contacted at the [redacted] where she is employed and voluntarily furnished the following information:

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On Monday, March 30, 1981, she worked at the [redacted]. She advised that at approximately 2:30 p.m., she was working at her desk when she heard [redacted] shout words to the effect "Oh my God someone shot the President." [redacted] ran into [redacted] office where she could observe the activities in front of the Hilton Hotel through the office window. She observed a white male lying on the sidewalk who was trying to sit up. She then observed a woman run over near the person lying on the sidewalk, at which time another man told her to get back. She observed four to six people wrestling with someone on the sidewalk behind where the man was laying down. She then observed an individual being restrained and placed in a police car, which left the area. She advised that she observed other individuals lying on the sidewalk and saw ambulances arriving on the scene.

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[redacted] residence [redacted] Washington, D. C. (work phone [redacted]), was interviewed by SA [redacted] who identified himself as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. [redacted] was interviewed in Room [redacted] at her place of employment, and she furnished the following information:

[redacted] advised that on Monday, March 30, 1981, she was in Room [redacted] (b)(7)(C): (D)

[redacted] While in the room, she heard what sounded like firecrackers, and thought to herself "could that be gunfire." She thought there were more than three, maybe four or five shots. However, she continued working. Then she heard screaming, and went to the window.

[redacted] advised she saw a man in a grey suit lying on the ground, and then realized there had been a shooting. She saw men wrestling with someone against the wall at the Hilton. She observed limousines pulling away. However, she did not think the President's car was among them, because she did not think he was at the Hilton. She also saw riflemen on top of the Hilton, one in each corner of the building. (b)(7)(C): (D)

[redacted] advised the shooting took place after lunch, but she does not remember what time.

[redacted] advised she did not see the actual shooting.

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SA [redacted]

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[redacted] telephone [redacted] tele-
residence [redacted] was interviewed regarding the attempted
phone [redacted] assassination of President Ronald Reagan on March 30,
1981. [redacted] furnished the following information:

[redacted] advised that at approximately 2:20 p.m.,
on March 30, 1981, he was in his office [redacted]
when he heard a sequence of at least five shots. Three were
in rapid succession and were followed by two more.

As [redacted] got up from his desk, he heard screaming
and got to the window in time to see a man in a grayish - blue
suit fall to the sidewalk. [redacted] observed a tremendous
amount of confusion on the street below and his view was
partially obstructed by the overhang for the T Street entrance
to the Washington Hilton Hotel. [redacted] advised that he ob-
served police officers attempt to put someone in a patrol car
but there was a problem and they returned to a position under
the overhang.

[redacted] advised that he observed ambulances arriving
at the scene. These ambulances had difficulty leaving the area
because police cars were blocking both ends of the street.
[redacted] advised that he then observed police officers form a
line in an attempt to keep the people back. [redacted] could
provide no other pertinent information.

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] was interviewed concerning the March 30, 1981, attempted assassination of President Reagan and advised as follows.

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[REDACTED] advised that she was in a meeting on March 30, 1981, in the afternoon. She stated that sirens interrupted the meeting. She stated that she looked out of a window [REDACTED] and noted ambulances near the terrace entrance to the Washington Hilton Hotel on T Street, Northwest. She also heard someone say "Get the hell out of here." She stated that she later learned from the radio that there was an attempted assassination of President Reagan. She could provide no further information.

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[REDACTED] was apprised of the identities of the interviewing agents and the nature of their inquiry, then provided the following information:

She resides at [REDACTED] telephone number [REDACTED]

She was looking out her office window toward the Hilton Hotel waiting to see President Reagan exit the hotel. As he neared his car, she heard four shots, although she did not at first perceive them as such. The shots came as the President was waving to the crowd on his left. She saw the President pushed into his car, but did not see anyone fall or notice who fired the shots. After the President's car had left, she noticed the men lying on the ground.

She saw the assailant being pushed into the police car, but all she saw of him was his blonde hair and tan jacket. She did not see his face at that time.

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[REDACTED] home address, [REDACTED] phone [REDACTED], was interviewed concerning the March 30, 1981, assassination attempt on President Reagan, and advised as follows:

[REDACTED] advised that on March 30, 1981, she had noted that the police had blocked the streets around the Hilton, so she knew a dignitary must be coming to the Hilton Hotel, and she did not know who it was. She advised that approximately 2:00 p.m., on March 30, 1981, while working at her desk, she heard what sounded like five gunshots in rapid succession. She stated that she stopped working and looked out [REDACTED] toward the Washington Hilton and saw a policeman running down T Street, N.W., towards the Hilton. She advised that she did not have a good vantage point so she moved around a partition in the office to another window. She advised that she remembers seeing a man with a blue suit laying on the sidewalk near the Hilton Hotel entrance. She added that she observed two men on the Hilton roof with rifles. She advised that ambulances began arriving and she was still not aware that President Reagan had been shot.

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[REDACTED] was interviewed at that address on April 6, 1981, regarding the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981. [REDACTED] furnished the following information:

[REDACTED] was watching across F Street, N.W. to the door of the Washington Hilton Hotel from which President Reagan had just emerged. As President Reagan left the hotel and walked toward his limousine, he waved to the crowd with his left hand. While the President's hand was still raised, [REDACTED] heard four shots ring out in rapid succession and, almost simultaneously, observed the President being thrown into his car.

[REDACTED] observed a uniformed police officer fall to the ground and saw another individual, who had been behind the President, fall to the ground.

[REDACTED] advised that on the fourth shot, he realized the noises he was hearing were indeed gunshots and not firecrackers. His attention was then diverted to the retaining wall near the door of the hotel from which the President had departed. A group of police officers and security personnel had restrained an individual near the wall and were holding his arm. The suspect was still holding a gun in his hand, but the rest of his body, as well as his face, was shielded from view by police officers and Secret Service personnel.

[REDACTED] stated he had been watching the scene at the hotel since about five minutes before the President came out, but had not noted any unusual activity prior to the gunfire.

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[REDACTED] telephone number [REDACTED] was advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and provided the following information:

[REDACTED] According to [REDACTED] she then walked over to the window to see if the President was coming out. At first, she thought the President was going to exit directly below her, however, noticing cameramen and reporters running to one of the side entrances she assumed that he was about to come out there. It was then that she said, "Come look! The President is about to come out." [REDACTED] stated that it was about that time she heard something which sounded to her like firecrackers. [REDACTED] stated that she did not see the gunman nor did she see anyone get shot. What she did observe from her vantage point was one man lying down and a group of police officers huddled over what she believed to be was another man.

[REDACTED] provided no additional information.

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Date of transcription 4/9/81

[redacted] residence [redacted] (b)(7)(C)(D)
[redacted] (business phone [redacted] home phone [redacted])
[redacted] was interviewed by Special Agent (SA) [redacted]
who identified himself as a SA of the Federal Bureau of
Investigation (FBI). [redacted] was interviewed in his
office at his place of employment and he furnished the fol-
lowing information:

[redacted] advised that on Monday, March 31, 1981,
he "saw nothing" to do with the actual shooting of President
Reagan or the President being taken from the area of the
Washington Hilton. [redacted] advised when he looked out
the window, he saw two ambulances arrive quickly, and another
ambulance was delayed due to a police type car blocking the
roadway. He also saw the police try to put an individual,
who was apparently the suspect, into one police car which was
blocked in. Then the police put the individual into a second
police car which was in a better position to get away.
[redacted] could not describe the suspect.

On April 9, 1981, SA [redacted] telephoned [redacted]
at his office and asked him when he said he "saw nothing" to
do with the shooting of the President, if this also meant he
did not hear any shooting.

[redacted] advised he did not hear any shooting
since he was working in an inner office [redacted]
at the time. He went to a window side after hearing
people in the hallway talking about the shooting.

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[redacted] residence [redacted] residence
[redacted] (work phone [redacted])
[redacted] interviewed by Special Agent (SA) [redacted]
who identified himself as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau
of Investigation. [redacted] was interviewed in Room [redacted] at his
place of employment, [redacted] and he furnished
the following information:

(Clark) advised that on Monday, March 30, 1981, at
about 2:30 p.m., he was heading for (a coffee break) and [redacted]

[redacted] advised that he heard five shots. At the sound of the
first shot he did not pay any attention, but after hearing the
second one, he ran to a window on the [redacted]

[redacted] Upon arriving at the
viewing, [redacted] said he saw the President's car departing from
the Washington Hilton. He next noticed a man lying on the
ground, and then other men fighting (struggling) to subdue
an individual. He saw another man lying on the ground.

[redacted] advised he had a poor angle of view from that
window, so he moved to another window [redacted]
for a better view. From the next window, he saw the police
throw the suspect into a police car, and the police car
departed the area. He next observed the ambulances arrive
and depart with the victims.

[redacted] added that he saw one Secret Service man was
holding an automatic weapon shielding the assailant during
the struggle.

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] was advised of the Agents' identity and the nature of their inquiry.
[REDACTED] then advised as follows:

He resides at [REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED]

On the afternoon of March 30, 1981 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was standing at his office window awaiting President Ronald Reagan's departure from the Washington Hilton Hotel across the street. He had seen the President arrive at the Hilton Hotel earlier that afternoon. [REDACTED] stated that he was glancing out his window in anticipation of the President's departure when he heard a noise which he perceived as gunfire. The noise he heard was grouped first as a rapid succession of two shots, a short pause, and then three additional shots. [REDACTED] stated he did not actually see the President come out of the building. His first observation following the gunshots was the movement of the Press and cameramen into the area where he later saw three victims lying on the ground. He did see President Reagan being pushed into his limousine. [REDACTED] also recalled seeing three individuals lying on the ground adjacent to the building. The gunfire which he had heard a few moments earlier appeared to have originated from the President's immediate left; [REDACTED] believed this due to the commotion being caused in that area. At one point during this incident, [REDACTED] believed that he actually saw four victims lying on the ground. He came to realize, however, that one of the four individuals was actually a suspect being detained by the authorities. This suspect was never actually in full view, however [REDACTED] did see the individual being placed inside a police cruiser.

[REDACTED] reported also seeing a white male running from the scene carrying an attache type case. This individual was wearing either a suit or sports coat and slacks. He had dark hair and apparently was not an old man in view of the way he was running. The individual was probably 35 years of age with dark brown hair, short in stature and slight of build. The box he was carrying was

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Possibly black in color and had a handle. It appeared to be heavy by the way it was being carried. This individual was last seen by [REDACTED] towards Connecticut Avenue and the Universal Building.

[REDACTED] was unable to provide any additional pertinent information regarding the suspect of this crime or the incident itself.

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[redacted] telephone [redacted] residence [redacted] (b)(7)(C)
 [redacted] telephone [redacted]
 was interviewed regarding the attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan on March 30, 1981. [redacted] thereafter furnished the following information:

[redacted] advised that at approximately 2:10 p.m., she went to the window of her office [redacted]. She observed people behind a cordoned off area. Many of these people had cameras. Prior to the President coming out at approximately 2:25 p.m., [redacted] observed a white male come up behind the people standing behind the rope. [redacted] described this individual as a white male, approximately 5'6", medium build, wearing a blue sport jacket over a blue shirt. He had black hair of medium length and wore a tie. Shortly afterwards, [redacted] observed President Reagan come out of the VIP entrance of the Hilton Hotel with his right arm upraised. Before the President got to his limousine, he raised his left arm and continued waving. At this point, [redacted] advised she saw flashes and heard three pops. [redacted] advised that she saw two or three men fall and the President being pushed into his limousine. The flashes came from the cordoned off area, however, [redacted] did not see the alleged assailant until he was being put into a police car. [redacted] advised that this individual was a white male with sandy colored hair and wearing a brown jacket. [redacted] advised that she was sure this was not the same individual that she had observed just prior to the President's departure from the hotel.

[redacted] observed emergency equipment arrive for the other individuals injured in the shooting. [redacted] could provide no additional pertinent information.

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Residing at [REDACTED] was interviewed regarding the attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan on March 30, 1981. [REDACTED] advised as follows:

As [redacted] came into the area, he noticed the Presidential motorcade parked by the Washington Hilton across the street from the Universal Building and found out from the crowd sounding around, that President Reagan was appearing at the Washington Hilton and would be coming out shortly. [redacted] decided to wait for the President and placed himself on the sidewalk of the Universal Building by the entrance. From this position he had a direct view of the VIP entrance to the Washington Hilton from where the President was about to emerge.

As [redacted] stood there waiting for the President to come out he did not notice anything unusual take place in the crowd or anyone specifically stand out because of his appearance or behavior.

As President Reagan exited the hotel through the VIPs entrance, [redacted]s attention was centered on the President. [redacted] watched President Reagan wave to the crowd standing to his right, then turn to wave at those standing to his left on the sidewalk between the terrace entrance to the hotel and the VIP entrance. As the President waved to the crowd to his left, [redacted] heard six distinct gunshots. [redacted] recalls hearing two shots, followed by a brief hesitation and followed by an additional four rapid shots. [redacted] had served in the U. S. Army and there was no doubt in his mind that the shots he heard were gunshots.

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From where he was standing, [REDACTED] did not see the assailant, inasmuch as the President was in a direct line between him and where the shots were coming from.

Neither prior to the shooting nor after the incident did [REDACTED] notice anyone in the crowd that looked familiar to him or who for some reason stood out because of his clothing or behavior, aside from a white female in her forties and wearing a brown tailored suit, who rushed to Special Agent Timothy McCarthy after he was struck by one of the bullets.

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[redacted] residence [redacted] (business phone [redacted]) (home phone [redacted]) who identified himself as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. [redacted] was interviewed at her office, Room [redacted] and she furnished the following information.

[redacted] advised that on Monday, March 30, 1981, at about 2:30 p.m., she [redacted] was standing in the lobby of the Universal North Building at the corner of the building, which is near Connecticut Avenue and T Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. The lobby is on the ground floor.

[redacted] advised she was watching the police, Secret Service, and press personnel prepare for President Reagan leaving the Washington Hilton via the "Presidential Exit," a special exit used on T Street, N.W.

[redacted] advised she observed the President come out and wave to the crowd with his right hand. As he raised to wave with his left hand, [redacted] said she heard a "popping" noise. [redacted] advised that somewhere between the four shots she heard, she also heard the glass window of the lobby got hit. She, along with other people, "hit" (fell on) the floor. [redacted] advised she only heard four rapid shots.

[redacted] said she stayed on the floor for about five minutes, possibly less than five. When she got up and looked out again, she saw several men covering up one man, but could not describe the one man further. Next, she noticed they were apparently handcuffing the individual, and then the police tried to put him into one police car. But, then they put him into another police car parked on the street, and this police car left with him. She also saw two men lying on the street.

[redacted] advised she thought the President had also been shot since so many shots had been fired. She did see the

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resident's car leave.

[redacted] advised when she was watching the resident leave the Washington Hilton, there was a man in the lobby of the Universal Building who was taking pictures with a camera. [redacted] saw the name on the camera, which she described as a "Kannon." [redacted] said she thought the first letter which she saw was a "K", and not a "C" on the camera, which was a 35mm type. She described the photographer as a white man, about 5'8" tall, mixed gray and black hair, and wearing gold frame glasses. She did notice his clothing. She noticed the camera was on a strap about his neck. [redacted] advised she thought maybe he was a tourist. She does not know what happened to him or where he went after the shooting. She did not know if he also fell on the floor when the shooting started.

[redacted] advised that shortly after getting up from the floor, seeing the departure of the police car with the suspect, and the two men lying on the ground, she realized what happened and ran [redacted] to tell her co-workers.

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[redacted] home phone [redacted]

[redacted], business, [redacted] (b)(7)(C)(D)

[redacted] telephone [redacted]

[redacted], advised as follows:

[redacted] stated that he was attending President Ronald Reagan's speech in the International Ballroom along with [redacted]

After the President's speech they left the ballroom where they still could see the President shaking hands on the podium.

[redacted] advised they exited the ballroom, went up a flight of stairs immediately to the left and proceeded through the Concourse level.

[redacted] stated that he nor [redacted] were eyewitnesses to the attempted assassination on President Ronald Reagan, learning of this after the aforementioned events concerning the two white males.

[redacted] could furnish no further information.

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[redacted] home address [redacted]
 [redacted] telephone number [redacted] was interviewed
 on April 6, 1981, by SA [redacted], Washington Field
 Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

[redacted] was standing [redacted]
 directly across from the Presi-
 dential entrance of the Washington Hilton Hotel, and at
 approximately 1:50 P.M. on March 30, 1981, she viewed the
 arrival of President Reagan at the Hotel.

[redacted] noticed the Presidential limousine's engine
 running. She stopped to watch the President's departure.
 Moments later, she heard six shots sounding like firecrackers.
 The Presidential limousine immediately sped away.

[redacted] left the scene and went directly to her
 office. She could neither describe nor identify a gunman.

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[redacted] was advised of the identities of Special Agent (SA) [redacted] of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) [redacted] and Secret Service SA [redacted]. [redacted] then provided the following information:

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[redacted] advised that it is important to [redacted] in to make a statement against the nuclear suicide that the United States and the Soviet Union are engaged in. It was for this reason that he came to the Washington Hilton Hotel today. He read in the Washington Star that President Reagan would be appearing at the Hilton. He arrived at the Hilton at approximately 1:15 p.m. and positioned himself outside the VIP entrance, in order to watch the President's arrival. The President arrived sometime between 1:30 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. and entered the Hilton Hotel. While the President was inside he [redacted] joked with other spectators. He made such comments as, "I wonder how Reagan would like an Inauguration which was not attended by anyone." Approximately one half hour later, President Reagan exited from the Hilton Hotel. [redacted] and approximately fifteen others were waiting for the President. He [redacted] had positioned himself on

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the sidewalk directly behind the press-line. [redacted] advised that he did not recognize or know any of the other spectators. As President Reagan began walking to his car, he [redacted] heard approximately five shots ring out in succession. He could not see where the shots had come from, but they sounded as though they had been fired from his left.

[redacted] further advised that he then observed Police officers scuffling with a man. He assumed this man to be the assailant. He does not know this man and does not recall seeing the man prior to the shooting.

Approximately thirty minutes after the shooting, he heard someone in the crowd mention that there had been someone hanging around in the back posing as a media man prior to the shooting. The story further evolved that this man was attempting to work his way through the crowd toward the President. [redacted] advised that he did not see this individual and does not know the identity of the person who related this story to him.

[redacted] advised that he came to the Hilton Hotel by himself in hopes of making a statement to the President regarding nuclear arms. He did not get an opportunity to make such a statement. [redacted] advised that since coming to Washington, D. C., he has continuously looked for opportunities to make such statements. After first moving to Washington, D. C., he frequently appeared outside the White House gates and made statements to the White House guards. In late November of 1980, he observed President Reagan at Lafayette Park and yelled to him, "We are heading for nuclear disaster." The next time he made a statement to President Reagan was while President Reagan was appearing at the Supreme Court as President-Elect. He yelled, "We're living on a nuclear time bomb."

[redacted] advised he has no information or knowledge regarding the individual responsible for shooting President Reagan.

The following background and descriptive data was obtained by way of observation and interview:

Name: [REDACTED]
Alias: [REDACTED]
Race: [REDACTED]
Sex: [REDACTED]
Date of Birth: [REDACTED]
Place of Birth: [REDACTED]
Height: [REDACTED]
Weight: [REDACTED]
Eyes: [REDACTED]
Hair: [REDACTED]
Social Security Number: [REDACTED]
Education: [REDACTED]

Prior Arrests:

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Relatives:

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[redacted] telephone [redacted] was contacted
[redacted] where she is employed as [redacted]
[redacted] and voluntarily furnished the following
information: [redacted]

[redacted] and while
on her lunch hour, she observed President Ronald W. Reagan
arrive at the Hilton Hotel at approximately 1:45 p.m. She
advised that she went back to her office duties at 2:00 p.m.
and at approximately 2:15 to 2:20 p.m., she heard one gun-
shot which sounded like a firecracker. She advised that
she then ran into the [redacted] where she
could observe the activities in front of the Hilton Hotel
from the office window. She advised that the President's
car had already left the area and she observed one person
lying on the sidewalk. She then observed ambulances and
numerous police officers in front of the Hilton Hotel.

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[REDACTED] work phone [REDACTED] (home
[REDACTED] was interviewed by Special Agent (SA)
[REDACTED] who identified himself as a Special
Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. [REDACTED] was
interviewed in Room [REDACTED] at his place of employment, and
he furnished the following information:

[REDACTED] advised that on March 30, 1981, at the time
the shooting took place (President Reagan attempted assassination),
[REDACTED] Somebody
told him President Reagan was being shot at, so he went to a
window. [REDACTED] advised he saw three men on the sidewalk
lying down, and then saw the suspect, a white man, being put
into a police car. He saw ambulances come, one of which,
could not get by a car. He saw the ambulances depart with
the victims.

[REDACTED] advised he did not witness the shooting
at President Reagan.

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[redacted] was interviewed on [redacted] and [redacted] April 9, 1981 by [redacted] who identified themselves as Special Agents (SA's), Washington Field Office (WFO), Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

[redacted] advised he is a self-employed [redacted] with an office at [redacted] his home telephone number, which also serves as his business phone, is [redacted]

[redacted] has been a resident of WDC for approximately five years.

[redacted] was advised that the purpose of the interview was to determine his possible knowledge concerning circumstances relating to an attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan at the Washington Hilton Hotel. He voluntarily provided the following information:

On March 30, 1981, [redacted] was in the vicinity of the Washington Hilton. He had walked to that area to visit his bank and the Post Office. He also purchased a birthday present for a friend at one of the stores in the same area. At some point he noticed the Presidential limousine driving north on Connecticut Avenue and arriving at the Washington Hilton. [redacted] observed the Presidential limousine parked at the Washington Hilton, and a small crowd of people, fifteen to twenty, standing directly across the street from the Hilton. [redacted] decided at this time to wait for the President to exit the Hilton. Although he spent most of the time waiting under the shelter of the drugstore, at one point he walked up Connecticut Avenue several yards, and then returned to the drugstore shelter because of the rain. When he saw the Presidential limousine start, [redacted] moved out nearer to the road for a closer look.

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[redacted] advised he could see the press area between the VIP entrance and main entrance of the Hilton. Until approximately ten minutes before the President came out, the press area was virtually vacant. At about ten minutes prior to Reagan's departure the press area began to fill up with people, and less than five minutes before the President left, a large crowd gathered at that location. Most of these people appeared to come from the Hilton. [redacted] did not recall anyone crossing the street to stand at the press area.

[redacted] advised he saw the President and Presidential party exit from the Hilton and begin walking toward the limousines. He saw the President raise his arm and wave. [redacted] heard several loud pops which sounded like gunfire. He could not actually see where the shots were coming from because his vision was obscured by the President's limousine. [redacted] advised the sounds he heard all seemed to come from the same direction, the press section near the Hilton, and all sounded similar. He did not recall a pattern to the sounds of gunfire. [redacted] was approximately thirty to fifty feet from the area of shooting, and moved quickly behind a pillar for protection, but did not lose sight of the area of shooting. He saw only one person fall, whom he learned later was Secret Service Agent (SSA) Mc Carthy.

After the shooting stopped, the crowd built fast. [redacted] stayed approximately thirty minutes, long enough to be interviewed by the press, and to watch victims being placed in ambulances, and then left the scene.

[redacted] saw no one picking up anything from the crime scene, and did not observe anyone acting in a suspicious manner. He took no photographs of the incident or the crowd since he was not carrying a camera. Aside from the press people who interviewed him, [redacted] recalls speaking only to [redacted] their conversation was general in nature.

A photo spread was displayed to [redacted] of seven white males of which a photo of suspect Hinckley was included. [redacted] could not identify any of those individuals as having been at the scene of the attempted assassination of President Reagan. These photographs have been properly initialed and the entire photo spread appropriately secured in the 1-A envelope in WFO file 175-311.

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The individuals in the above described photo spread are as follows:

1. [REDACTED] Special Agent, United States Secret Service.
2. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.
3. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.
4. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.
5. John Warnock Hinckley, Jr.
6. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.
7. [REDACTED] Clerk, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

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[redacted] residence [redacted]
 [redacted] business phone [redacted]
 Home phone [redacted] was interviewed by Special Agent
 (SA) [redacted] who identified himself as a
 SA of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). [redacted]
 was interviewed in his office at his place of employment
 and he furnished the following information:

[redacted] advised that on Monday, March 30, 1981,
 during time President Reagan was shot at the Washington
 Hilton, he was sitting in his office working. He had
 heard a strange sound, "faint pops", and went on working.
 Shortly afterwards, he heard a member of the staff, [redacted]
 saying the President had been shot.
 [redacted] left his office and went to an office [redacted]

[redacted] looked out, he saw three men lying
 on the ground, and officers put a suspect into a second
 police car. He did not see the shooting take place.

[redacted] said he wished to express a comment that
 the press people got in the way obstructing efforts of
 officers and rescue personnel after the shooting occurred.

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[redacted] provided the telephone numbers [redacted] and [redacted] for his work and assistance respectively. [redacted] stated that he was in the lobby of the Hilton Hotel when he saw people running inside from the front of the hotel. [redacted] ran outside and saw Press Secretary James Brady and other people on the ground. [redacted] stated that he saw the police scuffling by the wall to the right of the entrance. [redacted] advised that he did not see who was scuffling with the police.

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[REDACTED] was interviewed on April 7, 1981, concerning the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981. [REDACTED] advised as follows:

[REDACTED] As the President came out of the hotel, he looked across the street toward the Universal Building then turned and looked down the street. [REDACTED] then heard about six shots and saw people falling to the ground. The shots sounded like firecrackers. [REDACTED] did not observe the President's reaction to this scene and the next specific recollection he had was that the President's limousine was speeding away.

[REDACTED] had not detected any unusual activity in the crowd prior to the shooting. He did not observe the individual going the shooting.

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[REDACTED] was interviewed by the below listed Agent, in the company of Special Agent [REDACTED], United States Secret Service. [REDACTED] was advised of the nature of this inquiry, an investigation of the attempted assassination of President Reagan, March 30, 1981.

On the afternoon in question, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] immediately walked to the immediate vicinity of the limousine, in order to get a picture of the President exiting the hotel and perhaps waving to the crowd. [REDACTED] walked for one or two steps parallel to the President in the general direction of the limousine. At that point, the President looked across the street and raised his right arm to wave. [REDACTED] stated that he then took a picture of the President which he identified as photograph [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] then lowered the camera from eye level. Almost immediately, [REDACTED] heard a call from the area where the Press had gathered, behind a rope stretched across the sidewalk. The President looked in the direction of the crowd, paused, and raised his left arm to wave. [REDACTED] then heard all six shots being fired and remained fully standing the entire time. [REDACTED] recalls that he is unfamiliar enough with gunfire to have even reacted to it. "I froze" stated [REDACTED]. When the firing had stopped he suddenly became once again aware of his surroundings and took a number of photographs using the motorized camera. These photos are identified as numbers [REDACTED] through [REDACTED] inclusive. However, at the time he began shooting these photographs the subject was already being held by several people and none of these photos clearly show the subject.

[REDACTED] advised that at no time did he ever get a clear look at the subject. In addition, a review of the photographs which he has taken also does not reveal any photo of the subject in this matter.

[REDACTED] advised that negatives and copies of the photos he took that afternoon were developed at [REDACTED] and returned directly to him. [REDACTED]

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X after reviewing the photos and verifying them as true copies of those he had taken, furnished one copy of each to [REDACTED] (b)(7)(C)(D)

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] residence [REDACTED] (work phone [REDACTED])
[REDACTED] (home phone), was interviewed by SA [REDACTED]

who identified himself as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. [REDACTED] was interviewed at his office space at his place of employment, and he furnished the following information:

[REDACTED] advised that at the time of the shooting of President Reagan, on March 30, 1981, he was working in Room [REDACTED] at his desk. [REDACTED] heard someone in the hallway say, "He's been shot." [REDACTED] said he knew who the person was referring to since he had seen the President's car sitting outside earlier.

[REDACTED] advised he did not hear the shots since he had had his office door closed.

[REDACTED] advised he went to the last room on the right in his office space, [REDACTED] a fellow employee, to get a view of what happened. [REDACTED] advised he saw a black officer with a pistol in the air and holding someone against the wall at the Hilton Hotel. He also saw three men lying on the ground and noticed the President's car was gone. He next saw police and security men put the suspect in a police car parked on the street. [REDACTED] advised he could not describe the suspect except that he had blond hair.

[REDACTED] advised that he did not see or hear the actual shooting at President Reagan.

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[redacted] Residence, [redacted] (work phone [redacted] home phone [redacted]) was interviewed by SA [redacted] who identified himself as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. [redacted] was interviewed in Room [redacted] at her place of employment, and she furnished the following information:

[redacted] advised that on Monday, March 30, 1981, she did not know that President Reagan was at the Washington Hilton until she heard of the shooting at the President on the news.

[redacted] After hearing of the shooting on the news, she went to an office room in view of the Washington Hilton. She saw three men lying on the ground and people around them. She did not see the President's car, the President, or the suspect. She observed the ambulances arrive and depart.

[redacted] advised she did not see or hear the actual shooting.

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[REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED] was

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contacted at the [REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED] where she is employed and voluntarily furnished the following information:

[REDACTED]

At approximately 2:30 p.m., she heard a loud noise and then observed other employees gathering near her office window. She also looked out the window and observed a number of people standing around the Hilton Hotel. She observed approximately five or six people struggling on the sidewalk near the small overhang exit from the hotel. She also observed a black male holding a handgun and several people next to him pushed up against the stone wall of the hotel. A police car then arrived and she observed someone struggling who was being pushed toward the police car. She then returned to her work station and did not observe anything further.

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[redacted] and who resides at [redacted] was interviewed regarding the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981 and advised as follows:

On the afternoon of March 30, 1981, [redacted] was standing [redacted]

across the street from the VIP entrance of the Washington Hilton Hotel, and were watching President Reagan come out of the Hilton through that entrance. As President Reagan waved his left arm once to the crowd, [redacted] momentarily turned her back to the window. As she looked back to the window, she saw President Reagan approaching the rope which kept the crowd on the sidewalk back, and then approach the grill to the left of the VIP entrance. [redacted] then heard gunshots. She first heard five shots and as plainclothesmen tried to apprehend the assailant, she heard a sixth shot go off. According to [redacted] the first shot fired hit President Reagan. She believes that two shots were fired at the President but that the second one ricocheted into his limousine. The next three shots, in sequence, subsequently hit Mr. McCarthy, Officer Delahante and Mr. James Brady.

In [redacted] opinion, the assailant was a white male standing in the crowd to the left of the VIP entrance and was the second person from the wall. All shots, according to [redacted] came from the same direction. Looking at the assailant from [redacted] she could see that he had light hair. [redacted] she could not, however, see his face distinctively, nor see him holding a gun in his hand, inasmuch as her eyes were focused on the President and that plainclothesmen surrounded the assailant almost instantaneously after she heard the shots go off.

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[redacted] residence [redacted] was contacted
[redacted] telephone [redacted]
at the [redacted]
[redacted] and voluntarily furnished the following
information: [redacted]

[redacted] she heard [redacted] shout, after which she
[redacted] office to observe the activity on T Street.
[redacted] advised she observed approximately five people
holding a white male with blonde hair against the wall of
the Hilton Hotel and also observed two people lying on the
sidewalk in front of the hotel. She subsequently observed
a white male, age 20 to 24, blonde hair, wearing a light
tan jacket, being placed in a police car. [redacted] was
not able to furnish any further information.

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[REDACTED]
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[REDACTED] being apprised of the identities of the interviewing agents and the nature of their inquiry, provided the following information:

She resides at [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] telephones [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] She turned to the window and she saw the President exit the Hotel. As he neared his limousine he was waving to his right and then to his left.

As the President was waving to his left she heard five shots and saw the crowd to the President's left surge more in that direction. She did not know who was hit by the gunfire first, but she watched the President's expression change from a broad smile to a confused expression, and presumed he had been hit.

Then she saw the President shoved into his limousine and the car sped away. She saw two men lying on the ground, and by the wall, police and Secret Service men grappling with the assailant and taking him away.

SA [REDACTED] showed [REDACTED] photo spread. After observing all the photographs, she selected photo #5 as the man she saw the police put into a patrol car after the shooting. She said the assailant's hair was more blonde than that of the individual in photograph #5, but she based her identification on her recollection of the man's facial features.

The photographic spread shown to [REDACTED] consisted of the following individuals:

1. [REDACTED] United States Secret Service Agent.

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2. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

3. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

4. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

5. John Warnoch Hinckley, Jr., Subject.

6. [REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

7. [REDACTED] Clerk, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office.

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[redacted] residence [redacted] telephone [redacted] was interviewed regarding the attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan on March 30, 1981. [redacted] furnished the following information:

[redacted] was at the window one or two minutes before President Reagan exited the Hotel through the VIP door on T Street, Northwest.

[redacted] advised that she observed the President wave to the crowd with his left hand. She then heard a series of shots and observed the President bend over at the waist and lunge into his limousine. [redacted] could not see who fired the shots and could not recall how many shots she heard. [redacted] observed an individual behind the President but could not tell if he was pushed. The Presidential limousine apparently had difficulty backing up and took several seconds to leave the scene.

[redacted] advised that at approximately this same time, she observed seven or eight people push an individual to the sidewalk. This individual appeared to be wearing a tan jacket.

[redacted] next remembered seeing an individual she believed to be a Secret Service Agent lying motionless on the sidewalk. She then noticed the other two victims on the sidewalk.

[redacted] advised that she observed police officers attempting to put someone in a patrol car. Apparently there was a problem getting the car door opened because the person was taken to another police car. This individual was a white male with sandy colored hair and wearing a tan jacket. His hands were held behind his back.

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██████████ advised that confusion continued as ambulances arrived at the hotel. She observed a considerable amount of activity around the shooting victims prior to their being loaded onto the ambulances.

██████████ could provide no additional pertinent information.

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[REDACTED] was interviewed at his office and provided the following information:

[REDACTED] stated that on Monday afternoon, March 30, 1981, he was [REDACTED] waiting to see President Reagan.

[REDACTED] advised that he saw the President exit the hotel, wave to his right, and then turn towards the left as gunshots rang out. [REDACTED] stated he immediately believed the President had been hit because of the change in his facial expression.

[REDACTED] stated he saw the President being shoved into the limousine, the limousine pull away, and the commotion around what he assumed was the assailant. He advised that he did not see the alleged assailant at any time.

[REDACTED] provided his home address as:

[REDACTED]

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[redacted] was
 advised of the Agents' identity and the nature of their inquiry.
 Green then advised as follows:

She resides at [redacted]
 telephone [redacted]

On the afternoon of March 30, 1981 she was [redacted]
 awaiting President Ronald Reagan's
 departure from the Washington Hilton Hotel. She observed President
 Reagan exit the hotel doorway and begin approaching his limousine.
 As the President walked towards the car he began waving to the
 crowd, first towards his right and then towards his left. It was
 at this point [redacted] heard a noise which she first perceived as
 firecrackers. [redacted] herself then screamed as she saw everyone
 in the crowd surrounding the President scatter and fall to the
 ground. The President himself was pushed into his limousine.
 It was at this point [redacted] realized that the noise she perceived
 earlier was actually gunshots. She recalls she heard approximately
 five shots in all.

[redacted] stated she did not realize that the President
 himself had been shot. She did see two other men fall to the
 ground before a group of men grabbed an individual in the crowd.

[redacted] stated she believed she actually saw the assailant
 just prior to the shooting incident. This man she described as
 standing adjacent to a wall located immediately to the left of a
 doorway from which the President exited. She did not recall what
 particularly attracted her attention to this man but did notice
 that he was standing in a crowd of newsmen and cameramen. She
 believed that he was probably a news reporter. [redacted] never actually
 saw this man with a gun. She did witness several firearms but
 believed that these weapons were in the hands of either policemen
 or Secret Service Agents. To the best of her recollection, this
 incident occurred at approximately 2:10 or 2:15 P.M. on the after-
 noon of March 30, 1981.

[redacted] stated that the man she belie

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in the incident was wearing a light colored shirt, possibly tan, appeared to her to be a teenager or approximately 18 or 19 years, whose hair was dark in color, possibly brown. She also believed that this man was not wearing a coat. (b)(7)(c):11

[redacted] was shown a series of photographs of individuals from which she selected photograph #1 as looking similar to the man she believed was the assailant in the above incident. She stated, however, that she could not be positive that the photograph shown her was actually the man in the incident.

[redacted] did not actually see from which direction the shots were fired. She did notice the President's limousine pulling away from the scene. She also witnessed the restraint of the supposed assailant and his later being placed in a police cruiser.

[redacted] concluded by stating that she was unable to provide any additional pertinent information regarding the suspect in this crime or the incident itself.

The following individuals were depicted in the series of photographs exhibited to [redacted] (b)(7)(c):11

1. [redacted] Special Agent, U. S. Secret Service
2. [redacted] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Washington Field
3. [redacted], Special Agent, FBI, Washington Field Office
4. [redacted] Special Agent, FBI, Washington Field Office
5. John Warnock Hinckley, Jr.
6. [redacted] Special Agent, FBI, Washington Field Office
7. [redacted] Clerk, FBI, Washington Field Office

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[REDACTED] who resides at [REDACTED] was advised of the identities and purpose of the interviewing Agents and advised as follows:

[REDACTED] but [REDACTED] had ducked further back in the crowd, apparently to avoid being photographed. After having the film developed, [REDACTED] stated that an individual who had been standing with [REDACTED] did show up in this photograph, and that he is John Warnock Hinckley, Jr. [REDACTED] added that he was sure that Hinckley and [REDACTED] were talking together. [REDACTED] said that this picture was taken about five minutes before the President arrived at the Hilton.

[REDACTED] took another picture of the President as he arrived, and then two pictures of [REDACTED] (of the AFL-CIO) in the VIP holding area prior to the President's speech.

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After the speech was over, [REDACTED] exited about five to six feet behind the President. He then heard several bangs, which he first thought were firecrackers, very rapid. He saw the President lurch as if hit, and then snapped two photographs, the first showing the President's limousine and his military aide, and the second showing McCarthy, Delahanty and Brady on the ground. [REDACTED] said, "I think he got hit" to some of the Secret Service Agents, and then ran back inside the doorway to call for an ambulance.

When [REDACTED] came back out, he saw what appeared to be a brand new .72 caliber revolver laying on the ground, and surmised that it belonged to the Presidential assailant. The weapon was on the ground right by the wall of the hotel, near a stanchion that had been knocked down that was placed to cordon off the press and spectators from the President. [REDACTED] went and stood over this weapon to protect it. [REDACTED] related the weapon over to an unknown Secret Service Agent on the scene, who picked it up with his handcuffs through the trigger guard, and then put it in a folder for safekeeping. [REDACTED] later saw the same Agent place the weapon in a plastic bag.

[REDACTED] said he couldn't see the area where the shots were coming from while they were happening, due to the curvature of the wall of the hotel. He did see the police put someone in a cruiser and transport him away, and said that this person is the John Hinckley, Jr. that he saw in the newspapers later.

[REDACTED] said that he took the six aforementioned photographs with his Olympus pocketsize camera which has automatic exposure and a built-in flash. He used ASA 100, 35 millimeter color film.

[REDACTED] provided his copy of the receipt to SA [REDACTED] picked the processed film up on the evening of April 1, 1968, and immediately noticed the photograph of Hinckley in the crowd. He took the photos to [REDACTED] at about 5:30 P.M. on April 1, 1968, and relinquished them to him for subsequent turnover to the Secret Service. [REDACTED] said he received the negatives and some prints back from U.S. Secret Service SA [REDACTED] on April 2, 1968.

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residence [REDACTED] telephone number [REDACTED], was contacted at his place of business on the evening of April 7, 1981, and voluntarily provided the following information relative to photographs he had taken on March 30, 1981, at the Washington Hilton Hotel during the attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan. Also participating in the interview was United States Secret Service (USSS) Agent [REDACTED] of Boston.

██████████ advised that in view of his occupation he was in attendance, on March 30, 1981, at the National Building and Construction Trades Conference (NBCTC) being held at the Washington Hilton Hotel, Connecticut Avenue, Washington, D.C., noting he was in Washington, D.C., from March 20, 1981, until April 1, 1981. ██████████ attended the convention with many of his ██████████ some of whom he listed as follows:

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[redacted] stated that during his attendance at the MBCTC on the afternoon of March 30, 1981, he took numerous photographs, from the front row, of featured speakers, including union officials, Secretary of Labor Donovan, and President Reagan. At a specific time, recalled at the point in President Reagan's speech where he was discussing increases in military aid, [redacted] departed the convention floor and proceeded to the outside of the Hilton Hotel to where the Presidential limousine was parked. [redacted] explained that he "had heard this type of speech before," [redacted] "had to take some photographs of the

"had heard this type of speech before. [redacted] he wanted to take some photographs of the Presidential limousine. [redacted] advised that upon arriving at the location where the limousine was parked he positioned himself approximately seventeen to twenty feet from the limousine at approximately a 45 degree angle to the front headlight area of the driver's side. [redacted] explained that he was an antique car enthusiast, he tried to position himself in an area where a photograph could depict primarily the vehicle and as few people as possible. 308

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[REDACTED] stated that approximately five to ten minutes after he [REDACTED] exited the convention floor, President Reagan appeared at the hotel exit and proceeded toward his limousine. In the period of time in which President Reagan exited the convention floor until and including when President Reagan was inside of his limousine, [REDACTED] displayed three more black and white photographs with the following depiction:

Photograph number one: shows President Reagan walking toward his vehicle with his right hand extended and waving toward the crowd.

Photograph number two: shows President Reagan being placed in his limousine with the crowd in the background.

Photograph number three: shows the limousine exiting the area surrounded by what appears to be law enforcement personnel.

After reviewing the remaining prints [REDACTED] advised that following the departure of the limousine he then took five (5) more black and white photographs of what he described as the chaotic scene involving the remaining wounded people.

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[REDACTED] stated that at the time of the assassination attempt he thought he heard four (4) shots and initially thought it was a hoax. However, he then stated he saw people fall to the ground and President Reagan being pushed into the limousine. [REDACTED] stated that he then realized he was witnessing "history in the making" and continued to photograph.

██████████ advised that upon his return to Boston, Massachusetts, in the afternoon of April 1, 1981, he dropped the negatives of the film he had taken at ██████████ for developing.

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[REDACTED] stated that the film he used in the black and white photographs was Plus X ASA 125 Kodak. [REDACTED] furnished the setting he utilized on the camera when shooting this film as follows:

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Film Speed ASA 125
Aperture Opening 2.8
Exposure Time
(Shutter Speed) 1/60 of a second
Focus 17 - 20 feet [REDACTED]

(Greenland) is described, additionally, as follows:

Name [REDACTED]

Date of Birth [REDACTED]

Place of Birth [REDACTED]

Social Security
Account Number [REDACTED]

Height [REDACTED] D.C.

Weight [REDACTED]

Hair [REDACTED]

Eyes [REDACTED]

Criminal
Arrest Record [REDACTED]

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On April 3, 1981, at approximately 2 p.m., Mr. [REDACTED] (S)(C)

Address [REDACTED]

Telephone number [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] telephonically contacted the [REDACTED] the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and spoke to the undersigned Agent who was assigned to the Complaint Desk that day. [REDACTED] then provided the following information:

He said that he was present at the assassination attempt of President Ronald Reagan on March 30, 1981, in Washington, D.C., in which President Reagan and three others were shot. He said he took pictures that day of the President and his limousine as [REDACTED] was in Washington that day to attend the convention that President Reagan spoke at.

[REDACTED] said that the FBI could have these photographs if they wanted them. He also advised that it was his opinion that the photographs were of poor quality and most of them were taken after the shooting. [REDACTED] said he would mail out the photographs to the FBI to the attention of the undersigned Agent.

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[REDACTED] was interviewed on April 6, 1981 by SA [REDACTED]
regarding the attempted assassination of the President of the
United States which took place on March 30, 1981. After having
identified herself as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of
Investigation, SA [REDACTED] was supplied the following information:

[REDACTED] about 2:30 P.M. and observed the President
exit the Washington Hilton. She saw what she determined to be
gunfire and immediately observed police and Secret Service agents
apprehend a man. She also observed the President being pushed
into his limousine. She did not see the face of the gunman, nor
did she notice anything unusual about the crowd before the gunfire.

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by SA [REDACTED]

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 [redacted] was interviewed regarding the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981, and advised as follows:

On the afternoon of March 30, 1981, [redacted] remained outside after lunch waiting to see the President come out of the Washington Hilton Hotel. [redacted] stood in the crowd on the sidewalk in front of the Universal Building directly across the street from the VIP entrance of the Washington Hilton Hotel. [redacted] could not see the people standing on the other side of the street, inasmuch as her view was blocked by taller people standing in front of her. [redacted] did not see or hear anything unusual in the crowd prior to the President's exit from the hotel. In her opinion, the crowd was friendly and the people were eager to see President Reagan. As President Reagan came out of the VIP entrance, [redacted] eyes were centered on the President. As she watched him wave to the crowd, she heard four sounds, which to her resembled the noise of firecrackers. As President Reagan was being pushed into the Presidential Limousine, she saw "bodies" falling on the ground in the area where President Reagan was. She also saw the Presidential Limousine speed out of the driveway of the Washington Hilton and males "huddled" by the wall to the right of the VIP entrance of the Hilton Hotel. At no time did [redacted] see the suspect during the attempted assassination of the President. In [redacted] opinion, all the shots came from the same direction from the crowd standing between the terrace entrance of the hotel and the VIP entrance of the hotel.

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[redacted] telephone [redacted]

[redacted] advised that

[redacted] she was waiting for President Reagan to emerge from the Washington Hilton Hotel. [redacted] advised that she saw President Reagan emerge from the VIP entrance of the Washington Hilton, preceded by Secret Service personnel. She advised at this time she heard shots being fired and someone in the crowd yell "The President has been shot." [redacted] advised that at this point she fell to the lobby floor and that when she had gotten up from the floor she stood on a window ledge where she was able to see three wounded individuals on the sidewalk across the street. She advised that she was able to observe Mr. Brady move and to observe blood and a bandage on his forehead. [redacted] advised that she continued to observe the scene across the street until ambulances had removed the three wounded individuals. [redacted] advised that when she had gotten up from the lobby floor and climbed onto the window ledge, that the presidential limousine had already departed.

[redacted] has seen the assailant's picture in the newspaper and advised that she had never seen him before. She also advised that a bullet hole was discovered in one of the windows in the T Street lobby shortly after the shooting.

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[REDACTED] was interviewed by Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] who identified himself as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. [REDACTED] was interviewed at his place of employment, and he furnished the following information:

[REDACTED] advised that on Monday, March 30, 1931, he heard about the shooting of President Peagan on the radio shortly after it occurred. [REDACTED] advised he went to a window in Room [REDACTED] in view of the Washington Hilton. When he looked out, he saw three bodies on the sidewalk and a police car. He also watched the ambulances arrive, pick up the victims, and depart. By the time he arrived at the window, he noted the President and the suspect were gone.

[REDACTED] advised he did not see or hear the actual shooting of the President.

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[redacted] phone [redacted]

home address [redacted]

phone [redacted]

[redacted] was interviewed concerning the March 30, 1981, assassination attempt on President Reagan and advised as follows:

[redacted] advised that at approximately 2:00 p.m., on March 30, 1981, he heard in his office that President Reagan was at the Washington Hilton, across the street from his office. He advised he went to the windows [redacted] which face the Hilton Hotel to see the President. [redacted] stated that between approximately 2:30 and 3:00 p.m., he observed the President's party exiting the Hilton. He advised that the President waved to the right and then to the left. He stated that just before the President got to his limousine, he [redacted] heard, what he believed to be three gun shots in very rapid succession. He advised that he saw some flashes from the crowd. He stated that he was at this window with [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] advised that it was very crowded and he did not see who was shooting. He stated that he observed a man fall near the curb on the roadway and a pile of men on the sidewalk near the outside wall of the Hilton. He stated that he observed the President being put into the limousine and added that the limousine left rapidly toward Connecticut Avenue, N.W.

[redacted] further advised that he noticed police try to put a man into one police car, but could not for some reason, then they took him to another police car and took this man away. [redacted] advised that this man had his face down and he could not describe him.

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was interviewed on April 9, 1981, regarding the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981. furnished the following information:

At about 2:25 P.M. on March 30, 1981,

was aware that the President was making an appearance at the hotel but was not observing the activities there. heard five gunshots in very rapid succession and when he looked out the window, he observed the President's limousine and a Secret Service car speeding away from the area on T Street, N.W. Only about five seconds elapsed between the time heard the shooting and the departure of the President's car. He did not observe the President.

advised he observed three wounded people lying on the ground and people in the crowd were approaching to help them.

stated he saw a police officer and five or six people in civilian attire holding a person on the ground near a retaining wall next to the hotel. The individual being detained was completely hidden from view and there was a Secret Service Agent standing beside this group holding an automatic weapon. A police car was brought up and an effort was made to put this individual in the car, but the door appeared to be locked and it was necessary to get another police car to get the suspect away from the area.

stated the first ambulance arrived about one minute after the shooting and took away the wounded Secret Service Agent. Two or three minutes later, two additional ambulances arrived and took away the other persons who had been wounded.

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[redacted] was interviewed in the auditorium section of the International Ballroom of The Washington Hilton, a hotel located at the intersection of Connecticut Avenue, N.W., and T Street, N.W. [redacted] was apprised of the official identity of [redacted] as a Special Agent (SA) of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and that the interview concerned the shooting of President Ronald Reagan. [redacted] was further informed by S. [redacted] that it had come to the attention of the FBI that he had made a statement prior to the shooting that President Reagan was "going to get shot". [redacted] denied having ever made such a statement. He never said anything that anyone could possibly construe as having to do with the President's being shot. [redacted] made the unsolicited statement that he was more than willing to take a lie detector test concerning whether he had made such a statement.

[redacted] provided the following information concerning his activities during the afternoon of March 30, 1981. He is employed by [redacted]

On March 30, 1981, he arrived at the [redacted]

[redacted] after which he departed. He could not recall exactly when he departed the [redacted] however, he estimated that it was 2:15 p.m. [redacted] he conversed with [redacted] concerning the fact that the President was across the street at The Washington Hilton. He did not, however, say to [redacted] that the President was going to get shot. He could not specifically recall what he had said to [redacted] concerning President Reagan.

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[REDACTED] who were waiting for the President to come out of The Washington Hilton. Air vents point was just inside the T Street entrance and behind the tall plate glass windows that are adjacent to the entrance. When he arrived, he noticed that the motorcade policemen appeared to be preparing to leave. There was a large black limousine in the entrance to the driveway of The Hilton. The windshield wipers on the limousine were in operation, so he assumed it was preparing to depart.

He had not been there more than three minutes when President Reagan and his party emerged from a side entrance to his left of the limousine. This entrance was secured by solid double doors, which were green in color. The first person to emerge from the doors was a tall, thin woman who walked down to the concave area in front of The Hilton where the spectators were standing. After this woman emerged, the green doors were again opened, and several people, including a cameraman, walked out onto the sidewalk. This group was followed by President Reagan.

President Reagan walked out onto the sidewalk, turned toward the limousine, and began walking toward the limousine. President Reagan was looking back toward the group and was smiling and waving. He received the impression that the President was looking at his group. The President had taken only a few steps when a shot rang out. [REDACTED] recall hearing only one shot.

When the shot was fired, [REDACTED] ducked, so his impressions were confused after this occurred. He did recall seeing a well-dressed man, possibly in his thirties, fall to the ground, landing on his right side. He had the impression that this man had fallen slowly. He did not see anyone else fall, although he recalled that other people were lying down on the sidewalk. He saw a large group of men struggling with someone and attempting to put this person into a police car. He first thought that the man had been put in one police car, but then thought the man had been put in a different police car. He could not recall what had happened to the President, but he thought the President was being shoved into the limousine.

[REDACTED] had not actually observed anyone firing the shot. He noticed no unusual activity among the spectators before the shot was fired. From his vantage point, the activity occurred across the street and slightly to his right.

[REDACTED] could not recall what time the incident occurred. Approximately two minutes after the police had driven away with the person with whom they had been struggling, he returned to his office through the Connecticut Avenue entrance. On his way to his office, he stopped at another office and related that someone had shot at the President. He then proceeded to his own office, where he again related the story.

Shortly before 4:00 p.m., [REDACTED] someone from the police would be contacting him. At approximately 4:00 p.m. or 4:15 p.m., a non-uniformed police officer contacted him and escorted him to The Washington Hilton.

[REDACTED] provided the following additional background information:

Name:

Date of Birth:

Place of Birth:

Home Address:

Home Telephone:

SSAN - [REDACTED]

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Employment Telephone:
Social Security Account No.:

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[REDACTED] telephone
 was contacted at the Washington Hilton Hotel,
 [REDACTED] and voluntarily furnished
 the following information: D.C.

[REDACTED]
 knew that President Ronald W. Reagan was at the hotel on
 March 30, 1981, inasmuch as he had been issued a lapel pin
 to wear while he worked at the hotel. [REDACTED] decided to
 walk outside in an attempt to see the President when he left.

[REDACTED] advised he walked out of the hotel entrance
 on the T Street side and immediately observed people running
 and shouting. He saw three people down on the sidewalk along
 the side of the stone wall of the hotel. [REDACTED] approached
 the activity on the sidewalk and was stopped by a white male
 wearing a suit and carrying a machine gun. [REDACTED] also
 observed an individual being restrained by several people.

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[redacted] telephone number [redacted] was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent both orally and by display of credentials. [redacted] was also advised that the interview concerned the assault upon President Ronald Reagan and three other men outside the Washington Hilton Hotel on March 30, 1981. [redacted] furnished the following information:

[redacted] and in that capacity he attended the speech of President Ronald Reagan at the Washington Hilton Hotel on March 30, 1981. [redacted]

Upon hearing that someone had taken a shot at President Reagan, [redacted] was on the 19th Street side of the Washington Hilton Hotel one level above the VIP entrance. From this level, he observed President Reagan's limousine leaving the area rapidly, and he also observed three men lying on the street. Further, he also observed a crowd of people against the wall apparently pushing or attempting to apprehend the suspect, as he later learned. [redacted] stayed until the ambulances had left and then went about his business.

[redacted] was shown a photograph of John Warnock Hinckley, Jr., and he advised that he does not recognize this person. He added that he had not seen this individual when he was in Washington, D. C.

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the calamity of events. She observed no one departing the scene other than the individual in the entourage with the attache case, apparently, ordered to move out of the way by Secret Service personnel.

She observed two individuals fall to the ground and felt it was a fairly long time before they were tended by anyone at the scene. Individuals also observing the incident on the other side of the street, "hit the ground" but remained peering in the direction of the action, indicating to [redacted] that they were not struck by bullets, but merely cautious observers.

[redacted] did not observe any individual in the crowd with a weapon and, though she had seen the crowd in the area beyond the sidewalk grate, she was not in a position to recognize any individuals within the group.

She saw the Secret Service personnel surround and jump on one member of the crowd, who she did not specifically recall seeing earlier.

Regarding the "press area," [redacted] advised she has observed both Presidents Carter and Reagan using the same exit from the Hilton before and there have always been tourists intermingled with the "press corps."

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[REDACTED] was interviewed at her office and provided the following information:

[REDACTED] she noticed the crowd in front of the Hilton Hotel, realized that President Reagan was there, and she decided to wait and see him.

[REDACTED] advised that she saw the President exit the hotel and turn towards the right to wave in her direction across T Street. As the President turned back towards his left, she heard five gunshots and saw the President's facial expression change from a smile to a look of hurt.

[REDACTED] stated that at that point she was so shaken up she ran into the bank and did not come back out until the ambulances arrived. She advised that she did not at any time see the alleged assailant.

[REDACTED] advised that the following is her home address:

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was interviewed by Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] who identified himself as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. [REDACTED] was interviewed at his place of employment in room [REDACTED] and he furnished the following information:

[REDACTED] advised that on Monday, March 30, 1981, at about 2:20 to 2:30 P.M., [REDACTED] and overheard one of the secretaries say the President had been shot. [REDACTED] went to Room [REDACTED] overlooking a view of the Washington Hilton entrance.

[REDACTED] advised that when he looked out the President's car had already left. He did see three men lying on the ground and people around them. He saw one man being put in an ambulance.

[REDACTED] then left the window and went back to his office in Room [REDACTED]. He advised he did not see or hear any shots.

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[redacted] was interviewed at the Washington Hilton Hotel, 1819 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. She was advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and the nature of the interview. She thereafter provided the following information:

[redacted] advised that between about 2:15 p.m. and 2:30 p.m., she was watching out the window of her business office to observe President Reagan as he left the Washington Hilton. She started watching out this window about five minutes before Reagan actually left the Hotel. Prior to the appearance of President Reagan, she recalls seeing a young boy sitting on the curb below the doorway where she knew President Reagan would exit the Hotel. She also recalls seeing a blonde-haired woman near the entrance where the cars were set up below the exit doorway. She also recalls seeing numerous police officers lined up on T Street.

[redacted] stated she recalls seeing three or four individuals standing around the exit door and she believes these individuals were Secret Service Agents. At this time, it was either not raining or if it was, [redacted] could not see any rain through her window. [redacted] stated that when President Reagan exited from the doorway, he made an immediate but slight turn to his right and waved to the crowd across the street. He then turned to the left towards the main T Street exit overhang and took a step. After Reagan took this one step, [redacted] recalls that she saw a flash of light and heard what appeared to be a gun shot. [redacted] advised she heard at least four shots and possibly five or six. She stated that within four to five seconds after hearing the first shot, President Reagan had been pushed into his limousine and the limousine had driven away.

[redacted] believes the shots came either from the overhang above the President or from somewhere beneath the T Street overhang. She did not see the person who fired the shots but did see someone wrestled to the ground near the T Street overhang. She could provide no description of the individual wrestled to the ground other than she thinks he did not have blonde hair, but possibly dark hair.

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by [redacted] (b)(7)(D)

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Following the firing of the shots, [redacted] said there was complete silence in the area where the shots were fired. She realized at least two people had been shot inasmuch as she saw two men lying on the ground.

[redacted] advised that as President Reagan's limousine drove away from the area, a man came running out from under the T Street overhang and ran up T Street towards Connecticut Avenue. [redacted] could only see him run up T Street for a short distance since her office window is situated such that she is restricted from seeing too far up T Street. She advised this man was carrying a black or dark-colored box which was approximately sixteen inches long by ten inches wide by twelve inches deep. [redacted] thought this individual was either an FBI agent or Secret Service agent.

In response to the interviewing agents' question regarding whether or not [redacted] recalled anyone else leaving the area of the shooting, [redacted] advised the only identifiable individuals she saw were some presumed military band members who got on a bus and left the area while the second ambulance or paramedic vehicle was on the scene.

[redacted] described the man she saw running up T Street immediately after the shooting as follows:

Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Build:	Slender
Height:	Medium
Hair:	Dark
Clothing:	Dark suit

[redacted] described the young boy who was sitting on the curb below the doorway where President Reagan exited the hotel as follows:

Race:	[redacted]
Sex:	[redacted]
Age:	[redacted]
Clothing:	[redacted]

[redacted] advised that this boy would have seen more than anyone.

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[redacted] home telephone [redacted] work telephone [redacted] or [redacted] was interviewed at the Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C. She was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and of the nature of the inquiry. She thereafter provided the following information:

She stated that she was standing [redacted]

[redacted] in order to see President Reagan as he left the Washington Hilton Hotel. She stated that from her vantage point, she could see the VIP entrance of the hotel. She stated that she saw the entire incident from her room, from the time the Presidential Party left the hotel until the band that was playing left about fifteen minutes later. She noted that she could see most of the crowd that was gathered on the street, except for a small portion which was obscured by the overhang of the Universal Building.

She stated that after the ceremonies, the President came out of the VIP entrance, and took about four steps, he turned and waved to the crowd, and as he turned to his left, four or five shots rang out. She stated that she saw a bright light at the time the shots were being fired and looked to see who fired the gun. She stated she could not see where the shots were being fired from or who fired them. She stated that she assumed, at that time, that they must have been coming from an area obscured by the overhang. She stated that the next thing she saw was a body on the ground.

She stated that she saw a man running back towards the hotel. She described him as a white male, wearing a dark suit, with dark hair, and carrying an object in his hand. She stated, from her vantage point, it appeared to be the top of a box about eight inches by four inches. She could provide no other details concerning the incident.

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[redacted] were interviewed by Special Agent (SA) [redacted], and they provided the following: (It should be noted that [redacted] has been previously interviewed at length by the FBI concerning the events of March 30, 1981.)

[redacted] was part of the official news pool filming President Ronald Reagan as he spoke before a gathering at the Washington Hilton Hotel. [redacted] had completed filming the actual speech, which took place inside the hotel, and was moving to get into place on the far side of the Presidential limousine (close to the entrance canopy, or street) as the President and his party exited the VIP entrance (lower entrance) of the hotel. [redacted] was not prepared to film. As he was readying his camera, he heard a popping sound, and general confusion broke out. He immediately began to film.

[redacted] indicated the film shot by [redacted] is of poor quality. Since he began filming before the camera was actually set, the film is grossly overexposed, and only a small portion is easily viewable with the naked eye.

[redacted] allowed SA [redacted] to view the portion of the film shot by [redacted] which concerns the Presidential exit from the hotel on March 30, 1981. The portion of interest to the FBI begins on about foot #235 (the whole film is only 210 feet long). The film is extremely washed out, and any facial identifications appear to be impossible with the naked eye. In addition, the cameraman appears to have been jostled, and does not have steady control of his movie camera (the scene being filmed therefore blurs around).

[redacted] made available to the FBI through SA [redacted]. [redacted] also furnished SA [redacted] one copy of this film as shot by [redacted]. In addition, upon request, [redacted] also furnished SA [redacted] the original footage of this film, so that the FBI laboratory might perform certain analyses on the film. SA [redacted] signed a receipt for the original piece of film and left it with the [redacted].

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The film was locked in a secure safe at the Washington Field Office of the FBI overnight April 6, 1961, and on April 7, 1961, the original film was physically transported to the Special Photographic Unit, FBI Laboratory, Washington, D. C., by SA [redacted] for analysis. The copy of the film was retained in the [redacted] safe for future use.

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[REDACTED] was interviewed on April 6, 1981, and furnished the following information:

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[REDACTED] was watching the departure of President Reagan and his party from the Washington Hilton Hotel, directly across the street from the Universal Building. [REDACTED] first observed movement among a group of photographers near the door from which the President was to exit and then saw the President exit the hotel.

As the President walked out of the hotel, he waved with his right hand and then turned and waved to the crowd on his left. At that time, [REDACTED] heard what sounded like fire-crackers going off and saw the President being shoved into his waiting limousine. [REDACTED] believed he heard six shots, which occurred very rapidly, and indicated the shots were over in a matter of seconds.

[REDACTED] observed a crowd of uniformed police officers and Secret Service Agents converging on an area of the retaining wall near the door from which the President had just emerged.

[REDACTED] saw an individual he assumed was a Secret Service Agent lying on the sidewalk and writhing in apparent pain. He also observed a police officer and an individual later determined to be President Reagan's Press Secretary James Brady, lying on the sidewalk. [REDACTED] stated this was an extremely upsetting scene and he began to cry and walk away from his window. As he was walking away, someone in his office yelled "there's that S.O.B.", and [REDACTED] turned around but was not able to see the suspect. He never saw the suspect and the only weapons he viewed were those of Secret Service Agents and police officers.

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[REDACTED] was interviewed by Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] on April 6, 1981. [REDACTED] identified himself as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and informed [REDACTED] that the reason for this interview concerned the shooting of the President. [REDACTED] advised as follows:

From a window overlooking the shooting scene involving President Reagan, he heard the shots and observed the action of the President and the other victims. [REDACTED] did not observe the subject shooting.

[REDACTED] She told [REDACTED] that she saw the flashes. [REDACTED] was not available to be interviewed.

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[redacted] home telephone number [redacted] non-published), work telephone number [redacted] was interviewed in the auditorium of the International Ballroom of The Washington Hilton concerning her knowledge of the shooting of President Ronald Reagan. She provided the following information:

[redacted] During the afternoon of March 30, 1981, she was watching the President leave The Washington Hilton on the T Street, N.W., side. She was observing from her office, which is slightly above ground level. She saw the President look across the street and wave. Suddenly, she heard a sound like firecrackers, which she identified as gunshots. She heard four shots, fired in very rapid succession. She saw no smoke or flame and could not ascertain who had fired the shots.

She did not observe much of the subsequent activity. When she saw one person lying on the ground, she had run to call an ambulance. Her only distinct impression was that of a uniformed police officer standing on the roof over the entrance used by the President. The police officer was pointing his handgun down at the crowd.

She saw the President's limousine speed away, then she again called an ambulance. By this time, one person was lying by the driveway to The Hilton and another was lying on the sidewalk near the street. She noticed no other activity in the crowd because someone came into her office and instructed her to move away from the windows.

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[REDACTED] residence telephone number [REDACTED] was interviewed regarding her knowledge of the assault on the President of the United States and provided the following information:

Earlier in the afternoon [REDACTED] was in her office at [REDACTED] watching the T Street entrance of the Washington Hilton Hotel.

As the President was approaching his limousine [REDACTED] heard three or four muffled shots and did not see the individual firing.

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[REDACTED]
furnished the following information:

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[REDACTED] across T Street to the entrance which presidents have traditionally used entering and leaving meetings at the Washington Hilton Hotel.

[REDACTED] was watching as President Reagan came out of the entrance below the canopy. The only persons she recognized of those in close proximity to the President was the [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. The President had nearly reached his car and was waving to people under the canopy over the T Street entrance when five rapid shots were fired. [REDACTED] heard the shots and saw the flash and puffs of smoke but did not see the gunman. The President lurched forward, possibly falling nearly to his knees. [REDACTED] could not see how far he fell since the car was between them. The President was lifted or shoved into his limousine which then sped off.

[REDACTED] attention was focused on the three men on the ground. She saw a scuffle and huddle at the point of the firing. She thought she saw handcuffs on a black person but it was a white male between 20 and 25 years of age, light brown or dirty blond hair, of average height. She saw him being placed in the Metropolitan Police Department car. She noted that he wore a rainjacket with a hood like many members of the press.

[REDACTED] estimated that the shots came from a source about a limousine's length away from the President. [REDACTED] was satisfied that all the shots came from the same source.

At the time of interview [REDACTED] had not seen TV coverage of the incident.

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[REDACTED] (b)(7)(c):(d)
phone [REDACTED] advised as follows:

He is employed as [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

On March 30, 1981, at approximately 2:30 p.m., [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] were awaiting the appearance of President Reagan. [REDACTED] first saw the press secretary, Brady, emerge from the Hilton Hotel, followed shortly by the President. He saw the President wave and smile to the crowd; almost immediately, he saw the President either jump, fall, or be pushed down below his [REDACTED] field of vision. Simultaneously, he saw a muzzle flash and heard three shots fairly close together, followed by a fourth shot shortly thereafter. The shots were in rapid succession and, from the sound, seemed to come from a .22 caliber weapon. [REDACTED] ducked into the building (1975 Connecticut Avenue) and went up to the fourth level to look out the window.

[REDACTED] first saw the assailant after all the shots had been fired and after he had been arrested. Prior to that, he saw only a hand and muzzle flashes. He stated that he could not identify any of the assailant's characteristics, noting only that he had blond hair. He had never seen the assailant prior to this incident, nor had he ever heard the name before.

[REDACTED] stated that security at the Hilton appeared markedly different from when Carter visited there. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] He advised that he never saw a SWAT team on the roof of the Hilton as in the past, and saw no agents controlling the crowd in front of the Drug Fair as he had observed in the past. He also stated

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that there appeared to be no distinct controlled separation between the crowd and the press area as had been the custom in the past. [REDACTED] stated that he offered these statements only by way of observation. [REDACTED] also stated that the assailant appeared to be shooting high; he appeared to be "shooting for the head."

[REDACTED] could provide no additional information.

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[REDACTED] was advised of the Agents' identity and the nature of their inquiry. [REDACTED] then advised as follows:

[REDACTED] resides at [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED]

On the afternoon of March 30, 1981 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] when she heard a noise which she initially perceived as being "firecrackers." She heard a successive repetition of this noise, possibly six in number. This caused her to look out the window. She then observed President Ronald Reagan being pushed inside his limousine; the car then sped off from the scene. The next thing she saw was two men lying on the ground. [REDACTED] was unable to determine from which direction the noise had come from. She did not observe any suspect being restrained until someone apparently was being placed inside a police cruiser. The person being placed in the cruiser she believed had "sandy" colored hair as she saw the top of his head when he was placed inside. The police cruiser subsequently also departed the scene. [REDACTED] at this point left her office and went to another office to look at the scene from another window. [REDACTED] went outside where she saw the three victims lying on the ground. [REDACTED] observed ambulances arrive on the scene and depart with the victims.

[REDACTED] was unable to provide any additional information regarding the suspect of this crime or the incident itself.

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[REDACTED] was contacted and interviewed at his place of business. [REDACTED] was immediately advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and the purpose of the interview, whereupon he agreed to talk with Buagents and furnished the following information:

[REDACTED]
On March 30, 1981, he was to attend a special meeting of this union at the Washington Hilton Hotel in Washington, D.C. Before his meeting was to convene, he had heard that President Reagan had given a speech before the AFL-CIO and was to exit the Hilton Hotel at the lower level. [REDACTED] wanting very much to see the President of the United States, proceeded to the lower level and stood near what he assumed to be the Presidential limousine. [REDACTED] was standing at the lower level when he saw the President exit from the area of the tunnel, turn the corner and approach his limousine. At this time [REDACTED] was standing approximately 25 feet from the President with an open space between he and the President and as the President walked towards him the amount of distance between the President and [REDACTED] became less. When the President was standing by his car he was no more than 5 feet from [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] advised that he could have approached much closer to the President. As the President was just about to enter his limousine, he raised his left hand to wave at the crowd and that is when [REDACTED] heard the first shot. He advised that it sounded much like a firecracker, but when he saw the Secret Service agent push the President headlong into his limousine, [REDACTED] realized after a split second that this noise that he mistook for a firecracker could very possibly be a gunshot. [REDACTED] remembers immediate gunshots following the first one and he is sure that he heard at least four gunshots. He saw two men in plain clothes get hit and knocked off their

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feet. The first man was a younger man and he assumed him to be (b)(7)(c) a Secret Service agent. The second man was older and Mr. [redacted] at that time, had no idea who he was. [redacted] advised that he did not see the police officer get hit and he also advised that he did not see the shooter. [redacted] advised that everything happened very, very fast and his initial reaction was to look towards the shots and immediately after doing that and seeing the two men go down, he jumped behind a pole, but not before he saw the Secret Service agents draw their weapons. [redacted] further described this pole as a rather large concrete pillar. He stated that complete pandemonium broke loose, but he did say that the Secret Service seemed to know exactly what they were doing and they had the situation in control almost immediately after the shots were fired. [redacted] advised that he could have approached the President and could have possibly taken up a position within five feet of him as there were no barriers between himself and the President. He did say that at no time was he challenged as to his identity and as far as he can recall neither was anyone else. [redacted] advised that it seems to him the assassin could have hesitated just long enough to allow the President to reach his limousine because, according to [redacted] he feels that the assassin could have had a much clearer and closer shot at the President as the President approached the limousine. [redacted] advised that he did not see anyone run away from the scene after the shooting, nor did he see anyone run towards the scene after the shooting.

He could furnish no further pertinent information and the interview was terminated.

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[redacted], residence [redacted], telephone [redacted], was contacted at the Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., [redacted] furnished the following:

[redacted] He advised that approximately ten minutes prior to President Reagan leaving the hotel, [redacted] decided to walk outside so that he could see the president. He walked out of the T Street entrance of the hotel, and positioned himself approximately 15 feet from where the President was expected to exit the hotel. He observed a number of people and news media people gathering in the same area. He observed television camera people "bully" their way to the front of the crowd, during which time one camera man knocked a woman off the curb of the sidewalk onto the street.

[redacted] subsequently observed President Reagan come out of the hotel, wave to the crowd, and [redacted] heard five gunshots. He observed someone fall to the sidewalk and observed President Reagan being pushed into a limousine. [redacted] got behind a column near the terrace drive entrance of the hotel, then he observed someone wrestling with a sandy haired man who was subsequently put into a police car. [redacted] observed three people lying on the ground, and noted that one man was bleeding from the head. He then observed ambulances arrive at the hotel.

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[REDACTED], telephone number [REDACTED] was interviewed by [REDACTED] who identified himself as a Special Agent of the FBI, on April 6, 1981. (b)(7)(C)(D)
[REDACTED] resides at [REDACTED] advised as follows: Y

[REDACTED] overlooking the Hilton Hotel to see President Reagan. [REDACTED] saw the entire area including Secret Service Agents on the roof of the Hilton, newsmen, photographers, the presidential limousine, police and the public. President Reagan and company exited the hotel towards the limousine. Simultaneously he heard the shots and saw the muzzle flashes, which were in the shade next to the stone wall amongst the cameramen and press. [REDACTED] could not differentiate the subject shooting from the press and cameramen. A person was buried by numerous persons in a tussle at the wall. The presidential limousine departed. Several men laid on the ground attended by others. A person was rushed into a police car, which departed.

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[redacted] advised as follows:

He is employed as [redacted]

[redacted] they both decided to wait for the appearance of President Reagan and stood on the sidewalk near the Drug Fair entrance.

[redacted] subsequently saw the President emerge from the hotel and wave to the crowd. [redacted] next saw a muzzle flash and heard six shots in fairly rapid succession; he first heard several shots, followed by a short pause and then followed by several more shots. He noted the President being pushed into his car. [redacted] also thought that he heard something strike the wall to his right near the small awning over the Drug Fair entrance; he stated that it had a "clipping" sound and appeared to come from the marble face of the building directly adjacent to the small awning.

[redacted] He later returned downstairs after a "few" minutes.

[redacted] stated that he is familiar with weapons, having had military training with various firearms. He advised that the shots he heard seemed to come from a weapon of a caliber smaller than .45 or .38 caliber. [redacted] also advised that he did not see the assailant and therefore cannot offer a description of him. He further stated that he has seen a large number of Presidential visits to the Hilton; it appeared to him that security seemed "tighter" in the past, and that he did not see as much police or protective agent activity as he had in the past.

[redacted] could provide no additional information.

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[redacted], telephone [redacted], home address [redacted]

telephone [redacted] was interviewed concerning the March 30, 1981, assassination attempt on President Reagan, and advised as follows:

[redacted] stated that he was aware that President Reagan was at the Washington Hilton Hotel, [redacted] because he had noted security people on the roof of the Hilton Hotel.

[redacted] advised that at approximately 2:20 p.m. or 2:25 p.m., on March 30, 1981, while in the hallway near his office, he heard what he believed to be five shots. He immediately went into his office and looked out of an open window. He stated that he observed the President being pushed into a car and immediately depart the area. He stated that he also observed three men fall to the ground near the doorway to the Ballroom at the Hilton on T Street, Northwest. He further advised that he saw many security people surround a man, who he could not describe, near the above mentioned Ballroom entrance and take this individual to a police car and depart the area. He stated that shortly after this, ambulances began to arrive for those who were laying on the sidewalk. He could provide no further information.

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Advised SA [REDACTED] he had observed President Reagan arriving at the Washington Hilton Hotel and that he was working at his desk when he heard what he thought were gunshots, turned to the window, and saw the President being thrust into the presidential limousine. [REDACTED] saw the presidential limousine leave rapidly and observed three persons lying on the sidewalk. [REDACTED] advised that he was not able to see the assailant from his vantage point until he was being placed into a police car by the Secret Service and police. [REDACTED] advised that he has seen the suspect's photograph in the local newspapers and that he had never seen him before.

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[redacted] residence [redacted] was interviewed by SA [redacted] home phone [redacted] who identified himself as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. [redacted] was interviewed [redacted] at his place of employment, and he furnished the following information:

[redacted], and he was watching President Reagan come out of the Hilton door on the N. Street, N.W., side of the Washington Hilton. It's the exit normally used by the President. [redacted] advised he saw the President wave to his right and then to his left. When the President waved to his left (the President's left), [redacted] said he heard shots fired which sounded very loud. [redacted] "thought" he heard eight to nine shots, some of which he now believes were the result of "echoing."

[redacted] advised when the shots were fired, he saw the Secret Service man shove the President into the car, the President's limousine. The President's car pulled away immediately.

[redacted] advised he ran to Room [redacted] to get a better view. He then saw the Secret Service and police pushing a man up against the wall of the Hilton. [redacted] said he did not know who the man was, and thought they were helping someone who was hurt. About the same time, he saw two men lying on the street. One man was wearing a light blue suit, but he could not remember the color of the suit of the other man. One man was lying such that his head was on the grill in the sidewalk. [redacted] now believes this individual was the President's Press Secretary, James Brady. [redacted] advised he did not notice the policeman who had been shot.

[redacted] advised he saw the group of police, who were against the wall, trying to put an individual into a police car in the driveway off T Street, N.W. at the N.

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could not get the door opened. So, the police then put this same individual in a police car on the street. He saw this police car drive away.

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He next saw the ambulances arrive and depart with the victims lying on the street. The victims were taken away in about five to ten minutes.

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[REDACTED] and who resides at [REDACTED], was interviewed regarding the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981, and advised as follows:

[REDACTED] he heard the Presidential Motorcade arrive at the Hilton, [REDACTED] went to the window of his office to watch the President. Throughout the time President Reagan was at the Hilton, [REDACTED] periodically went to his window awaiting for the President to come out. As [REDACTED] stood by the window he saw President Reagan come out of the Hilton, raise his left arm twice and wave to the crowd. He also heard a woman shout "Mr. President." As [REDACTED] Reagan's arm went up for the second time to wave to the crowd, [REDACTED] heard four shots which appeared to him to be firecrackers.

After the shooting occurred, [REDACTED] got down and told all the others in his office to stay away from the windows. When [REDACTED] looked out of his window again, he saw the assailant being taken away. The assailant had a tan-colored trench coat pulled over his head. [REDACTED] did not see the suspect prior to the shooting or ever before in this neighborhood. [REDACTED] also witnessed the President being taken away in his limousine and the other three wounded individuals being taken away in ambulances.

Prior to the shooting, [REDACTED] did not notice anything unusual in the crowd which stood outside of the Washington Hilton waiting for the President to come out. From his office, [REDACTED] periodically observes Presidential visits to the Washington Hilton and in his opinion, this visit did not differ from the previous ones as far as the crowd, Secret Service protection and police protection are concerned.

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[redacted] telephone [redacted]

[redacted] residence [redacted] telephone [redacted] was interviewed regarding the attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan on March 30, 1981 and furnished the following information:

At approximately 2:00 p.m. on March 30, 1981, [redacted] advised that she went to the last window on the Connecticut Street side of T Street, Northwest. At approximately 2:20 p.m., she observed a group of individuals exit the Washington Hilton Hotel through the VIP exit. [redacted] could not identify President Reagan due to the large number of people below. [redacted] advised that she then heard at least four or five shots but could not see the individual who was firing.

[redacted] advised that she observed three individuals lying on the sidewalk as the President's car drove away. [redacted] watched rescue vehicles arrive and take the shooting victims from the area. [redacted] advised that the crowd was very close together and it was difficult for her to see everything that was taking place. [redacted] could provide no additional pertinent information.

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[redacted] telephone [redacted], extension [redacted], was interviewed at his residence, [redacted] telephone [redacted] concerning the March 30, 1981, assassination attempt on President Ronald Reagan. He furnished the following information:

[redacted] He stated that he had gone, at approximately 2:30 p.m., to the T Street entrance of the Hilton to see if the doorman at this entrance, [redacted] He stated that while still in the building near the T Street entrance, he observed [redacted] At this time, he advised that he heard a number of popping D.C. sounds that he believed to be firecrackers. He observed people running outside near the T Street entrance and added that many people layed down on the ground. This is when he realized that the sounds he heard must have been gunshots. He added that he also observed police pushing someone into a police car. He advised that at this time, he returned to [redacted] in the lobby area of the Hilton Hotel.

[redacted] knew of no other [redacted] who had witnessed the incident and could provide no further information.

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5775, was interviewed in his office

by SA [redacted] on April 6, 1981. After having identified herself as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, [redacted] supplied to her the following information regarding the attempted assassination of the President of the United States which took place on March 30, 1981:

[redacted] advised that he observed, from his office on [redacted] the general preparations for President Reagan's arrival at the Washington Hilton. He later observed the President arrive and enter the Hilton. After several observations out the window, he saw the windshield wipers of the limousine running and assumed the President would appear shortly. He observed the President waving and then saw flashes from an area next to the stone wall by the Hilton driveway. He next saw people running and the entire scene turned to confusion. He observed people whom he assumed to be Secret Service agents apprehend the suspect. He only saw the suspect's head for a moment and noticed he was also wearing a trench coat.

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[redacted]
[redacted] home address [redacted]
[redacted] was interviewed concerning the March 30, 1981, assassination attempt on President Reagan, and advised as follows:

[redacted] advised that on the afternoon of March 30, 1981 (time unrecalled), while working at her desk, she heard what she believed to be five gun shots. She advised that she looked out of her office window and saw people running towards a commotion in the direction of the Washington Hilton. She stated that she went down the hall to the office occupied by [redacted] a fellow employee and told her "I think there is some shooting going on over there" meaning at the Hilton Hotel. They then both began looking out [redacted] window. [redacted] advised that she recalls seeing a man laying on the sidewalk and also remembers observing the police shoving someone (cannot describe) into a police car. She stated that at this time ambulances began to arrive and she saw someone leaning over the man laying down on the sidewalk.

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] interviewed on April 6, 1981, regarding the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981. [REDACTED] advised as follows:

[REDACTED] stated he was aware that President Reagan was making an appearance at the Washington Hilton Hotel, located directly across T Street, N.W., from the Universal Building. [REDACTED] was sitting at his desk about 2:25 p.m., when he heard about five shots. [REDACTED] turned around at his desk and looked across T Street to the hotel entrance. He saw the President being shoved into his car and saw the car speed away immediately. [REDACTED] then observed Secret Service Agents wrestling a man to the ground next to the stone wall near the hotel entrance. [REDACTED] did not have a good view of the suspect and could not identify him.

[REDACTED] advised that the shooting and subsequent evacuation of the President occurred in a period of ten to fifteen seconds.

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[REDACTED] was interviewed at that address on April 6, 1981, concerning the attempted assassination of President Reagan, which occurred on March 30, 1981. [REDACTED] furnished the following information:

[REDACTED] stated she was in her office [REDACTED] about 2:25 p.m. when [REDACTED] who was in the office with her, said that the President was coming out. [REDACTED] looked across T Street, N.W., toward the Washington Hilton Hotel and saw President Reagan walking toward his limousine. He was smiling and waving to the crowd. [REDACTED] then heard what sounded like five shots and saw President Reagan shoved into his car by a man standing behind him. The car left in a matter of seconds after the shooting started.

[REDACTED] did not see where the shooting occurred or the individual who actually did the shooting.

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[redacted] resident
[redacted] (business phone [redacted])
[redacted] (home phone [redacted]) was interviewed by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] who identified himself as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. [redacted] was interviewed in Room [redacted] at his place of employment, and he furnished the following information:

[redacted]
[redacted] he heard somebody yell, "They shot the President," and then, [redacted] ran into an office at the corner of the building, where he could look out. When [redacted] looked out the window, he saw the President's limousine just taking off. He advised he next saw police throw the suspect in the police car and also saw three men lying on the ground. He then saw the ambulances and other police cars.

[redacted] advised he did not see any of the shooting at the President.

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[REDACTED] was interviewed by Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] who identified himself as a SA of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. [REDACTED] was interviewed in her office space [REDACTED] and she furnished the following information:

[REDACTED] advised that Monday, March 30, 1981, she did not see any of the shooting of President Reagan since she works in an inner office of the building. She heard about the shooting at the Washington Hilton from other employees when she went to a window to view the scene, there were three men lying on the street. She watched the ambulances arrive, and then depart with the victims.

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[redacted] telephone number [redacted] was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent both orally and by display of credentials and that the interview concerned the assault upon President Ronald Reagan in Washington, D. C., on March 30, 1981. [redacted] furnished the following information:

He is the [redacted]

telephone number [redacted]

[redacted] and [redacted] arrived at the Washington Hilton Hotel ballroom approximately 15 minutes prior to President Reagan's arrival. As all the seats [redacted] delegation were taken, [redacted] were obliged to stand in the back of the ballroom against the doors.

As President Reagan finished his speech and greeted the delegates who were on the dais, [redacted] and [redacted] left in order to get some fresh air as the ballroom was very smokey and stuffy. They went up the upstairs escalator to the basement level and exited the doors. [redacted] and [redacted] were standing along the curb area between the President's limousine and the second limousine when the news media moved forward in order to cover the President's exit from the Washington Hilton Hotel. They then stationed themselves with a view between those limousines approximately 30 feet from the Presidential limousine. At approximately 2:30 p.m., President Reagan exited the side door waving his right hand and turning about. When President Reagan was approximately ten steps or so from the door, shooting started. [redacted] thought that he heard

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five or six shots in succession and President Reagan was pushed into the limousine which immediately drove off. (b)(7)(C)

██████████ also observed Jim Brady, the Presidential Press Secretary, and a Secret Service Agent as well as a Metropolitan police officer fall to the pavement.

██████████ advised that he did not actually see anyone doing any shooting. Thereafter, his attention was drawn to his right along the Washington Hilton Hotel wall where he observed a man in a yellow sweater jump on what ██████████ assumed was the suspect. ██████████ stated that the only observation he made of the suspect was when he was being taken away by the Secret Service.

██████████ stated that he did not observe any unusual activity on the part of anyone at the time of the shooting.

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[REDACTED] was
 advised of the Agents' identity and nature of their inquiry.
 [REDACTED] then advised as follows:

While standing at his office window awaiting President Reagan's departure from the Washington Hilton Hotel, he observed two Secret Service Agents on top of the hotel itself. Secret Service Agents normally can be found in this location while the President is giving a speech inside the hotel. As he observed the Agents on top of the building, he heard what he believed to be a series of six gunshots. This caused him to look towards the "A" Street exit of the hotel. However, in view of the distance between his office window and the scene of the incident, he was unable to discern the activity of any specific individual. He did notice that a large crowd of people began gathering near the hotel exit. [REDACTED] learned shortly thereafter that someone had attempted to shoot the President of the United States.

[REDACTED] concluded by stating that he made no additional physical observations other than those cited above.

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[redacted] was interviewed by Special Agent [redacted] phone [redacted] who identified himself as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. [redacted] was interviewed in Room [redacted] at her place of employment, and she provided the following information:

[redacted] advised that on Monday, March 30, 1981, at about 2:30 p.m., she was working her office space at the time the shooting of President Reagan actually occurred. She heard a lot of sirens and went to a 7 Street side window overlooking the Washington Hilton. The first thing she saw were men lying on the street. The President's car was gone, and she also believed the suspect had been taken away. The ambulances were already there. She came back to her work at her desk by 3:00 p.m.

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[redacted] telephone number [redacted] was interviewed at his residence. He was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the nature of the interview. He thereafter provided the following information:

[redacted]

[redacted] He subsequently left the bank and walked down T Street until he was directly across T Street from where President Reagan would visit the hotel. Although he missed seeing the President emerge from the exit doorway, he saw him shortly thereafter as he walked to the crowd.

[redacted] advised that suddenly, he heard shots sound like firecrackers. At this point, everyone got down and the President disappeared into his limousine. He heard someone say "go" and the limousine took off. [redacted] advised he did not see the individual who fired the shots but did see that a scuffle was taking place along the hotel wall. He described the general scene as complete bedlam.

[redacted] stated that following the shots, he observed a man pick up a briefcase in the area where the President had been and run up T Street towards Connecticut Avenue. He did not observe where the man went after seeing him run up T Street. He described the man as a white male, 30-40 years of age, and wearing a light suit. [redacted] advised that he watched the television tapes of the shooting on Channel 9 later that night and again observed this man running up T Street.

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[redacted] telephone number [redacted], was

interviewed by SA's [redacted] and [redacted] who identified themselves to [redacted] as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. At the outset of the interview, [redacted] was advised by SA [redacted] that he was being interviewed because he is a witness to the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981, at the Washington Hilton Hotel.

[redacted] advised as follows:

On March 30, 1981, he departed his office at 2:00 p.m. to conduct some personal business. He planned to return around 2:30 p.m. At approximately 2:20 p.m., he was standing on the T Street side of the Universal Building across from the Washington Hilton Hotel watching the crowd waiting for the departure of President Reagan. He was not going to wait as he did not know how long the President would be, but changed his mind when he heard the engine start up in the Presidential limousine, indicating to him that the President would be departing shortly. He was standing almost directly across the street from the President's limousine and had an unobstructed view of the President as he walked out of the Hilton Hotel in the direction of his car.

He watched the President walk toward the car when he heard what he thought were firecrackers go off. He distinctly recalls hearing six loud, sharp bangs. These noises started when the President was approximately four feet from the open car door. He saw the President being pushed down and into the car by the Secret Service Agent immediately next to him and saw another Secret Service Agent fall to the ground apparently hit by something. He also saw two other individuals lying on the sidewalk. One was a D.C. policeman and the other was dressed in a suit. He did not see who fired the alleged shots, but did see what he believed to be Secret Service Agents and police officers scuffling with an individual along the wall to the left of the exit door through which President Reagan had walked earlier. He subsequently witnessed this individual being placed in a police cruiser two or three minutes after the President's

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SA's [redacted] and [redacted]

limousine had sped away. He also saw the arrival and departure of the ambulances carrying the wounded individuals.

He never saw the individual that the police had obviously arrested because this individual was covered with a coat. He now knows what John Hinckley looks like and is positive he has never seen him before in and around the Hilton Hotel. Any other information he has concerning the attempted assassination he heard or saw on radio or television. He does not feel that his knowledge of the assassination differs greatly from what was reported by the media and he could not think of any other facts which would assist the FBI in this investigation. He did advise that if he recalled any other information not provided in this interview, he would immediately contact the FBI.

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[REDACTED] and SA [REDACTED] were interviewed by SA [REDACTED] Secret Service, on April 2, 1981. He provided the following information concerning the Reagan attack:

On March 30, 1981, [REDACTED] heard some co-workers remark that Reagan was at the Hilton. [REDACTED] recalled the time as being between 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. As Reagan frequently comes to the Hilton and [REDACTED] has seen him before, he did not wait at the window. While he was working at his desk he heard someone exclaim, "Someone is trying to shoot Reagan!" By the time he reached the window he only caught a glimpse of Reagan's limousine turning onto Connecticut Avenue.

His observations were of the aftermath of the shooting. He saw three people lying on the sidewalk. He saw a group of people around Hinckley. What caught his attention the most was the Secret Service Agent with the automatic weapon.

[REDACTED] never got a clear view of Hinckley. He could only describe him as a young white male with light colored hair.

[REDACTED] watched for a few more minutes and then returned to his desk.

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SA [REDACTED]

Special Agent

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[REDACTED]
Furnish the following information:

[REDACTED] Shortly after President Reagan emerged from the hotel, [REDACTED] was told by either a Secret Service Agent or a Metropolitan Police Officer that there had been a shooting near the VIP door of the hotel.

When [REDACTED] arrived there, there was a large crowd, and three men were lying on the ground. He advised his [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] who was with [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] said that he had moved [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] also advised that as he arrived on the scene of the shooting, he saw a white male, wearing a three-piece suit, grab a briefcase and run toward Connecticut Avenue. However, he thought that it was a Secret Service Agent because he had a star on his lapel.

[REDACTED] was displayed a photograph of John W. Hinckley, Jr., and he advised that to the best of his knowledge he had never seen this individual.

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[redacted] advised that his home address is [redacted] from telephone [redacted]

This interview was witnessed by [redacted]
Metropolitan Police Department, [redacted]
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[REDACTED] was interviewed on April 7, 1981, regarding the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981. [REDACTED] furnished the following information:

[REDACTED] stated she had observed the President arrive at the Washington Hilton Hotel from her office [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] looked out her window as the President left the hotel about 2:25 p.m. She saw President Reagan walk slowly toward his car, then change directions and walk toward a group of people standing on the sidewalk. As the President approached the crowd, [REDACTED] observed a flash of light, resembling a small explosion, coming from the crowd. The President appeared to be falling toward the ground. [REDACTED] said she ducked to the floor at this point and heard several gunshots while crouching there. She raised up about three seconds later and observed that the President's car was gone. [REDACTED] then observed three individuals lying on the sidewalk near where the shooting had occurred.

[REDACTED] advised that she saw an individual being forced into a police vehicle on T Street, Northwest, and transported out of the area.

[REDACTED] advised that she had observed the crowd waiting for the President to leave the hotel, but had not noted anything she considered unusual, with the exception that the size of the crowd appeared somewhat smaller than they usually are for Presidential visits to the Washington Hilton Hotel.

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[redacted]
[redacted] was interviewed by
Special Agent (EA) [redacted] who identified himself
as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.
[redacted] was interviewed in Room [redacted] at her place of employment,
and she provided the following information:

[redacted]
[redacted] heard someone
say "They shot him," and then she walked into a room with a
window where she heard the voice. [redacted] advised
a fellow employee, said "They shot him." When [redacted]
looked out the window, she recalled scuffling and people on the
ground. She realized a shooting had occurred and the President
had left the area. His car was gone. She next saw a man being
put into a police car, but did not see him being apprehended
initially. She saw ambulances come picking up the victims, and
depart.

[redacted] advised she did not see the shooting take place.

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[redacted] telephone number [redacted]
[redacted] voluntarily appeared at the FBI Resident Agency in [redacted]
[redacted] was advised of the identity of the
interviewing agent and that the agent wished to interview
him concerning the attempted assassination of President
RONALD REAGAN. [redacted] subsequently volunteered the
following information:

[redacted]
[redacted] recalled that at
approximately 1:40 or 1:50 p.m., he went to the main ballroom
of the Washington Hilton Hotel to hear President REAGAN's
address but was refused admittance to the ballroom by
some individuals he took to be fire marshalls or Secret
Service agents. [redacted] recalled that he was advised that
the ballroom was full and that admitting additional people
would pose a fire hazard. [redacted] recalled that he remained
at the ballroom level of the hotel, or perhaps at a lower
level for approximately ten minutes and then exited the
hotel through the side entrance and joined a crowd of
reporters, cameramen and others who were waiting to watch
the President leave through the hotel VIP entrance. [redacted]
noted that he was in the front row of the group of onlookers
standing between the VIP entrance and the side entrance to
the hotel located on the same level as the VIP entrance.
[redacted] noted that the President's Lincoln

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██████████ circular driveway of the side entrance of the hotel. ██████████ further noted that the President's limosine was parked at the end of the circular driveway closest to the VIP entrance but not directly in front of the entrance. ██████████ said he was standing about even with the Cadillac limosine parked directly behind the Lincoln automobile. ██████████ estimated he was standing 20 to 25 feet from the VIP entrance. ██████████ recalled that he waited at this vantage point for approximately five to ten minutes and during that time, he talked briefly with a 25 to 30 year old Black woman wearing a green dress. ██████████ noted that a black male with a t.v. camera on his shoulder stood to his left.

██████████ said President REAGAN walked out of the VIP entrance and proceeded to walk directly to the Lincoln limosine which was at a slight angle to his left. ██████████ recalled that the President raised his right hand and waved to the crowd and then raised his left arm and waved to the group in which he, ██████████ was standing. ██████████ recalled that he heard the shots just as the President was turning and waving with his left hand. ██████████ recalled that the President still had his left hand in the air as the shots were fired. ██████████ said the shots sounded just like firecrackers. ██████████ said he heard four shots fired rather rapidly but with the slightest pause between the second and third shots. ██████████ recalled continuing to watch the President but at the same looking for the source of the sound which he assumed to be "fireworks". ██████████ noted that at this point the people piled on top of an individual who had been standing approximately five feet from ██████████. ██████████ noted that this individual had been standing to his right and to his front. ██████████ said this recalled seeing a left hand holding a gun. ██████████ said this pointed at the President and noted the gun, hand and arm were approximately one to two feet off the ground and pointed in the direction of the President. ██████████ recalled that the gun was six or seven inches long, black and a revolver. ██████████ also recalled seeing a brown plaid coat but believed it belonged to one of the men subduing the individual with the gun. He recalled that at the same time he saw a Secret Service Agent push the President through the crowd. ██████████ said he was in the waiting limosine. ██████████ noted that they hand rear door of the limosine began to shoot. ██████████ said that subsequent to people began to shoot. ██████████ said that he saw a black male with a t.v. camera on his shoulder. ██████████ said that he saw a black male with a t.v. camera on his shoulder. ██████████ said that he saw a black male with a t.v. camera on his shoulder.

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the hotel to get out of the way.

[redacted] noted that the only part of the man with the gun he saw was the man's hand and arm. [redacted] said he could not recall the color of the clothing on the arm of the man with a gun.

[redacted] noted he had not noticed any suspicious behavior in the crowd in which he was standing prior to the shooting. [redacted] was shown a photograph of JOHN W. MINCKLEY JR. which appeared on the front page of the 3/31/81 addition of the New York Times newspaper. [redacted] said the individual depicted in the photograph is unfamiliar to him. It should be noted that the New York Times newspaper describes this photograph as a driver's license photograph of MINCKLEY taken on 1/21.

[redacted] recalled that several minutes later he returned to the scene of the shootings at which time he saw Press Secretary BRADY lying on the sidewalk near a grate. [redacted] said he also saw uniform police officers and plain clothes police officers attempting to place a suspect in a police car.

[redacted] said he returned to [redacted] on the evening of 4/1/81. [redacted] said he had no additional information concerning this matter.

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[REDACTED] was interviewed by Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] and SA [REDACTED] Secret Service, on April 2, 1981. She provided the following information: (b)(7)(C), (b)(7)(D)

The following is transcribed from notes that [REDACTED] had written immediately after the Reagan attack:

At about 2:30 EST, March 30, 1981, Reagan emerged from hotel VIP entrance and waved to people on the right then just as he turned to group of people standing on sidewalk to (his) the left I heard several pop pop sounds (I don't know how many) I didn't think it was gunshots until I saw several people lying on sidewalk and not moving. I didn't see where shots came from but there was a group of people hovering over someone near the wall to the left (where the President had been turning).

Didn't see whether the President had been hit - get the impression of him being pushed in the limousine - it sped away.

There was a man in blue grey suit lying on sidewalk - he didn't seem to be unconscious but he didn't get up.

There were two men lying close to each other to my right.

Seemed to take a while for ambulance to arrive - took the man in grey suit away first - ambulance bailed out and went toward Connecticut Avenue.

Another ambulance arrived and man (Brady) in dark pants and blue shirt was put in it. That ambulance tried to get out of driveway but police cars were blocking its way. There was a green police car with no driver on T Street.

Another ambulance was trying to come up T Street from 19th but couldn't get thru because police cars were

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blocking way. Finally got to third man but they didn't put him in ambulance immediately. Someone said they administered last rites to him but I didn't see that. The other two were white. He had dark pants on. There was blood on sidewalk where he had been lying.

Saw the police move out of the huddle with someone in tow. I believe they tried to put him in a police car then put him in a second police car. The man had light brown or reddish hair. Had on a tan coat or jacket pulled up around his neck. I didn't get a look at his face. He appeared to be young, about 5'8" (not tall) and slender (160 lbs.) build.

There was great confusion, people standing in way of ambulances and police cars. No attempt seemed to be made to clear area or to look for evidence. Eventually someone brought out a rope and blocked T Street.

Crowds starting emerging from hotel.

At 4:45 saw ambulance on T Street. They brought out man (in wheel chair with yellow jacket (light, a water proof or nylon jacket) and tan cap. (He had orange kit in his lap) (They put him on stretcher). Don't know if there was any connection with shooting. There was a man in orange raincoat surrounding suspect but I think he had white helmet on and I thought he was a policeman. (Saw man in yellow jacket and tan cap in video tape standing around those wrestling suspect. There was also a policeman in full length orange raincoat and white helmet.) Green FBI lab truck arrived some time later (after shooting).

It had been raining all day and quite hard after the shooting. The blood that had been on the sidewalk was apparently washed away by the rain.

There had been a number of pieces of white paper on the sidewalk. Also saw what appeared to be some legs of a tripod on the sidewalk probably knocked over by the crowd. (This was stand to hold rope in front of group of reporters.)

Additionally, [redacted] provided the following information to the writer:

[redacted]
At approximately 2:00 P.M., she heard the noise of

motorcycles and looked out the window. She saw the Presidential limousine. She looked at the roof of the Hilton, but did not see the Secret Service sharpshooters that are usually there. After about half an hour she again looked out the window and saw the doors to the VIP entrance open. She then saw five or six men exit from this entrance followed by Reagan. Reagan waved at the crowd and then she heard pops like firecrackers. People started falling down on the sidewalk. She stated that she never saw where the shots were coming from. However, she soon saw a crowd gather around the suspect. She saw a civilian push the suspect down on the sidewalk. There was pandemonium everywhere.

Because of her distance from the Hilton she could only describe the suspect as a young caucasian man who was of medium height and slender build. Also, that he was wearing a light brown jacket.

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[redacted], telephone [redacted] 422
 contacted at the [redacted] telephone [redacted] where she is employed
 and voluntarily furnished the following information:

[redacted]
 She advised that she heard glass breaking and looked
 out the office window and observed two men laying on the
 sidewalk. She was unable to furnish any other information.

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[redacted] was interviewed by SA [redacted] and SA [redacted], Secret Service, on April 2, 1981. He provided the following information concerning the Reagan attack:

[redacted] was standing in front of the Drug Fair (located on the first floor of the Universal Bldg. North) on March 30, 1981 at approximately 2:00 P.M. He was with a friend, [redacted] and they were hoping to catch a glimpse of President Reagan. There was a crowd of 30-35 people who were also waiting to see Reagan.

[redacted] observed what he believed to be a female Secret Service Agent near the VIP entrance of the Washington Hilton. She had a handy-talkie radio in her hand and was giving orders for parking the Presidential limousine. [redacted] noticed that the limousine was being backed into place.

It was at this time that [redacted] observed a young white male dash from his right side (approximately 4'-5' away) to a position adjacent to the press line near the VIP entrance. [redacted] said that this white male looked tired and suspicious with very red eyes. [redacted] noted that he had seen this white male prior to his going across the street. This was due to the suspect's proximity to him and his overall run-down physical condition.

[redacted] was shown a series of eight photographs depicting the following individuals:

01 SA [redacted] Washington Office, Secret Service

02 SA [redacted] Washington Field Office (WFO).

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03 SA [redacted] WFO, FBI

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[REDACTED] was interviewed this date at which time he provided the following information:

He was staying in room number [REDACTED] the Washington Hilton, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., on March 30, 1981.

On March 30, 1981, he did not actually witness the shooting of President Reagan, though he was present in the area. He had taken a position in a group of about 50 to 100 people outside the Hilton simply to observe the President as he exited the hotel.

He was standing about 20 to 25 feet from the rear of the President's vehicle. He could only see the President from the waist up as he was on the opposite side of the vehicle from the President.

At about 2:20 or 2:30 p.m., the President exited the hotel waving to the crowd and proceeded to his vehicle.

He heard about four or five shots being fired while the President had his left arm raised to the crowd.

He did not see the assailant nor could he identify the assailant. He did not see the gun firing the shots.

He had been standing outside the Hilton for 20 to 25 minutes prior to the President coming out and did not notice anybody acting suspiciously before the President came out.

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[REDACTED] was standing directly behind the assailant
at the time of the shooting. X

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The following is descriptive information:

Name:
Date of birth:
Place of birth:
Race:
Sex:
Home address:
Employment:

[REDACTED]

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Phone number [REDACTED]

Residence [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was interviewed regarding the attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan on March 30, 1981. [REDACTED] furnished the following information:

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[REDACTED] entered his office and told him that the President would be coming out soon.

[REDACTED] advised that he then turned to look out of his window and observed two limousines parked near the VIP entrance of the Washington Hilton Hotel, which was located directly across the street. [REDACTED] noted that the President's vehicle was parked farther from the curb than it normally is during his visits to the hotel. In approximately one to two minutes, [REDACTED] observed President Reagan exit the VIP door with men wearing suits around him. The President moved to the left side of the Press and spectators who were behind a cordoned off area to the right of the VIP entrance. As the President walked toward his limousine, he started to wave again. [REDACTED] advised that at this time, he heard three or four pops and saw flashes. Between the first and second pop, [REDACTED] observed the President being pushed into his limousine by Secret Service Agents. According to [REDACTED] there was a problem closing the door to the President's limousine because someone's leg apparently was not all the way inside. The President's vehicle sped away in about 20 seconds.

[REDACTED] advised that as the shooting continued, he observed three other individuals fall to the sidewalk. [REDACTED] could not see who was responsible for the shooting, but it seemed to be coming from the cordoned off area where the members of the Press normally stand. [REDACTED] advised that the people in this area were obscured by police officers and Secret Service Agents.

[REDACTED] advised that more confusion followed about 10

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as the media was concerned. They held their ground and continued to take photographs.

advised that at approximately the same time he observed a crowd of people jump on an individual near the press line. could not see this individual, but later observed a white male with blondish hair being put into a police car.

could provide no additional pertinent information.

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[redacted] interviewed at that address on April 6, 1981, regarding the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981. [redacted] furnished the following information:

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[redacted] also in the office said "he's coming now," referring to President Reagan coming out of the Washington Hilton Hotel, directly across T Street, N.W., from the Universal Building. [redacted] looked out the window and observed the President approaching his limousine and waving to the crowd with his right hand. The President then turned and raised his left hand to wave when four or five "pop" noises sounded. [redacted] said he saw a Secret Service Agent grab his abdomen and fall to the ground very slowly. [redacted] observed the President being shoved into his car and saw the limousine speed away on T Street, N.W., and then Connecticut Avenue, N.W. He then saw people near the scene of the shooting running to assist the wounded people lying on the ground.

[redacted] indicated he saw police and Secret Service personnel running an individual to a police vehicle on T Street, N.W. The police appeared to be unable to unlock the rear door to that vehicle and another car was brought up for the suspect. [redacted] could see only this person's head because the police and Secret Service personnel were clustered around him very closely.

[redacted] advised that the entire incident occurred very quickly and it was only a matter of ten or fifteen seconds between the time of the first shot and the time of the President's departure.

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[REDACTED] was interviewed
in his office on April 6, 1981, by Special Agents
[REDACTED] and [REDACTED], of the FBI.

[REDACTED] advised he was not looking out the window at the scene of the attempted assassination of President Reagan, but heard "a handfull" of shots ring out. He thought there was one initially then a slight pause and the rest in rapid succession. He had seen the crowd earlier but could not recognize any individuals in it. He said they merely appeared to be milling about waiting for the President to come out of the Washington Hilton Hotel.

He advised he had no further information on the incident.

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_____ telephone _____ was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and the nature of the inquiry. _____ thereafter provided the following information:

_____ They arrived at the Washington Hilton Hotel today at approximately 1:30 p.m. After arriving they heard that President Reagan would be coming to the hotel. At approximately 2:05 p.m., she and _____ stood outside the Hilton Hotel awaiting the President's arrival. Also awaiting the President's arrival were their _____ and _____

_____ The President's car arrived and parked in front of the VIP entrance. The President entered the Hilton Hotel through this entrance. The President stayed in the Hilton Hotel for approximately thirty to forty-five minutes. When the President finally exited through this same entrance, she was standing inside the glass door at the front entrance. _____ and possibly _____ were standing with her.

_____ saw the President as he was on the sidewalk after exiting through the VIP entrance. The President's car was parked immediately in front of the entrance and the President appeared to be walking toward his car. She heard approximately four bangs and thought it was a salute. She saw a man fall on the sidewalk in front of the President's car. Several people surged forward. Several security men sheltered the President with their bodies. At this time, she did not see the man who shot the President. Approximately one minute later, a man who was standing by the press-line and next to the stone wall attempted to walk away. Approximately four Police Officers arrested him. She did not know that the man that was arrested was the man who fired the shots.

_____ concluded by advising that schoolmates _____ and _____ may have personal photographs of events surrounding the shooting.

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[redacted] telephone number [redacted] advised
[redacted] and Secret Service Agent
Special Agent (SA) [redacted] follows:
(SSA) [redacted]

[redacted] to watch
As he looked from the window on the [redacted]
the President exit the hotel, he noticed a gathering of
people and several individuals lying on the ground. From
the commotion he assumed that something was wrong, and he
rushed downstairs out the Connecticut Avenue exit, and over
to the location of the President's limousine, which had left.
He approached SSA Tim Mc Carthy, who was lying on his side
holding his chest, and [redacted]

Mc Carthy stated that he thought he had a chest wound
and had a slight pain in the upper part of his chest.
[redacted]

[redacted] He described Tim Mc Carthy
as having little difficulty in breathing, and felt that the
wound seemed to be superficial and appeared to be from a
small caliber weapon. He further advised that from the amount
of bleeding he assumed that the bullet wound may have entered
or exited from the front of his chest and ricocheted off
one of his ribs, missing the agent's lung.

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[redacted] residence [redacted] (home phone [redacted]) (work phone [redacted]) was interviewed by Special Agent (SA) [redacted] who identified himself as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. [redacted] was interviewed at her place of employment in [redacted] and she furnished the following information:

[redacted] advised she had read about President Reagan's scheduled arrival at the Washington Hilton in the Star newspaper.

On Monday, March 30, 1981, she went to a window on the Hilton Hotel side of her office space and watched the arrival of the President. After he entered the Hilton, she then went back to her desk to work. Later, she heard one of the guys in the office say, "He's coming out," (the President was leaving), and she went to a window.

[redacted] said she concentrated on the President leaving and saw him look to the left and wave at the crowd. She heard what sounded like gun shots. Then, she saw the President falling, and a Secret Service Agent pushed him into the limousine. [redacted] advised she thought at that time the President had been shot before the news coverage announced he was being hit.

[redacted] advised that while the President's limousine door was closing other men fell to the ground. She could not determine which men fell first after the initial shot. [redacted] advised she thought she heard five shots.

Then, almost immediately, she saw several men began struggling over one man. She could not describe him. Next, she saw the police put one man into the police car. Next, the ambulances began arriving.

[redacted] advised she heard about the shooting on the radio about 60 seconds later.

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[REDACTED] was interviewed in her office and provided the following information:

[REDACTED]. She stated that her husband had told her in advance that the President would be at the hotel so she waited on the sidewalk across 7 Street to get a look at him.

[REDACTED] stated that as the President exited the Hilton he looked to his right across the street and waved towards the crowd. As he turned back to his left she heard five or six shots. [REDACTED] the President and they both went down behind the limousine which stood between them and where she was standing.

[REDACTED] advised that as the limousine pulled away, she ran across the street to see if her husband had been hit by any of the shots.

[REDACTED] stated she saw people struggling with the assailant but did not get a clear look at him. She advised that throughout the incident she had been concentrating on her husband and did not notice much of anything else.

She advised that she did not see the alleged assailant previous to the shooting.

[REDACTED] provided the following as her residential address:

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Residence [redacted] was interviewed regarding the telephone number [redacted] attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan on March 30, 1981. [redacted] furnished the following information:

[redacted] At approximately 2:22 p.m., on March 30, 1981, in order to watch President Reagan depart the Washington Hilton Hotel. [redacted]

At approximately 2:25 p.m., [redacted] advised that he observed the President exit the Washington Hilton through the VIP entrance. The President walked toward his limousine with his hand up-raised. At this time, [redacted] advised that he heard four noises that resembled firecrackers. These noises were accompanied by flashes of light coming from an area near the bend in the wall to the right of the VIP entrance. [redacted] could not see who was responsible for these flashes. The flashes appeared to be over the heads of members of the Press which were assembled on the sidewalk. At approximately this same time, [redacted] observed the President being rushed into his limousine and the vehicle speed away.

[redacted] advised that he then observed a crowd of people converge on an individual near the bend of the wall. [redacted] did not have a view of this individual.

[redacted] advised that he then observed three people lying on the sidewalks. He did not have a good view of these individuals until the crowd of people moved back.

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who resides at [REDACTED]
and is [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was interviewed by Special Agent [REDACTED] regarding the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981, and advised as follows:

On the afternoon of March 30, 1981, he was sitting in his office working. [REDACTED] was aware of the fact that on that afternoon President Reagan was appearing at the Washington Hilton, but did not see him go into the hotel. There have been so many Presidential visits at the Washington Hilton that it has become a common occurrence for [REDACTED] and his fellow colleagues [REDACTED]

He announced to his employees that shooting had taken place outside of the hotel as the President was coming out. [REDACTED] rushed to the window and observed the following:

He saw one Secret Service Agent leaning over the roof of the Washington Hilton Hotel with a rifle pointed at the street. He saw a man on the ground in front of the hotel and he saw the assailant with a tan-colored raincoat pulled over his head, being taken away.

Following the shooting incident, [REDACTED] rushed downstairs to see what had happened and saw Mr. Jim Brady laying on his face and being administered first aid. He also observed Special Agent Timothy McCarthy being taken away in an ambulance. As [REDACTED] stood there, he heard someone in the crowd say that the assailant had a television shoulder-pack and held the gun used in the shooting in a brown paper bag.

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At no time did [REDACTED] observe the assailant
face to face, and would not be in a position to identify.

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[redacted] telephone number [redacted] was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent both orally and by display of credentials and that the interview concerned the assault on President Ronald Reagan on March 30, 1981, at Washington, D. C. [redacted] furnished the following information:

[redacted]

1. On March 30, 1981, [redacted] was standing in the back of the Washington Hilton Hotel auditorium when President Reagan arrived at approximately 2:05 p.m. [redacted] was standing at the back of the auditorium because his seat which was located forward in the auditorium was already taken.

As President Reagan finished his speech at approximately 2:25-2:30 p.m. that day, [redacted] along with [redacted] left the back of the auditorium or ballroom through the doors because of the excessive smoke and heat in the auditorium. They took the escalator up to the basement level and walked through the doors on the 19th Street side of the Hilton Hotel. [redacted] explained that he originally thought this was the 19th Street side, the same side that President Reagan was assaulted, but later was told that it was the T Street or Florida Street side of the Hilton Hotel.

[redacted] and [redacted] originally stood near the carport adjacent to the Secret Service car which was

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arked behind President Reagan's limousine. As the news media came forward in order to cover President Reagan's exit from the Hilton Hotel, [redacted] and [redacted] moved between the Secret Service car and the President's limousine to the other side of the driveway near the carport. This placed [redacted] and [redacted] approximately eight feet from President Reagan's limousine. As President Reagan came out of the VIP entrance of the Washington Hilton Hotel, he was waving his right arm, perhaps toward the crowd of people who had gathered across the street and in the building across the street. [redacted] observed President Reagan turn slightly to his left in response to [redacted] and at this point President Reagan was four to five feet from his limousine. [redacted] then heard what he thought was five rapid shots and he turned first toward the area where he thought the shots had come from along the wall of the Hilton Hotel and then back toward President Reagan's limousine. Upon turning back toward the limousine, [redacted] observed two Secret Service Agents rush President Reagan into the limousine. As the limousine drove off, [redacted] observed someone with his arms spread across the rear vision deck looking out.

He then turned his attention back to the area from which he thought the shots had come from and observed that he thought was a Secret Service Agent and perhaps a citizen in a yellow sweater holding what he presumed to be the suspect of the shooting. He also observed Press Secretary James Brady on the ground as well as a Secret Service Agent and a Metropolitan Police Department officer.

[redacted] noted that although he was able to take these observations as the shots were being fired he also moved back approximately five feet to behind some bushes and crouched down.

[redacted] stated that he did not see any shooting itself and only heard it; nor did he see a weapon in the suspect's hand. The only observation he made of the suspect was a glimpse of him as he was taken away first to a police car and then secondly to an unmarked Secret Service car.

This is the only observation [REDACTED] made of the suspect.

[REDACTED] added that he did not observe any unusual activity on the part of any persons in or near the area where President Reagan was shot either before the President came out or following the shooting.

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[REDACTED] was interviewed on April 7, 1981, regarding the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981. [REDACTED] furnished the following information:

[REDACTED] when the President exited the hotel about 2:25 p.m. [REDACTED] observed the President wave to the crowd once and begin to wave again, when he appeared to stumble. [REDACTED] then heard four gunshots very clearly and one muffled shot. He did not hear a sixth shot. [REDACTED] saw President Reagan shoved into his car and saw a Secret Service Agent follow him into the car. The limousine then sped away very quickly.

During the shooting, [REDACTED] observed a Secret Service Agent on the sidewalk near President Reagan got hit by the gunfire and fall slowly to the ground. [REDACTED] also saw a crowd of people moving toward the retaining wall next to the hotel, near the exit from which the President had emerged. [REDACTED] was not able to observe the individual being restrained there.

[REDACTED] had observed the crowd gathered at the hotel prior to the President's departure, but he had not seen anything he regarded as unusual. He said he had probably seen the suspect in the crowd prior to the shooting, but could not definitely recall it.

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[redacted] phone [redacted], home address [redacted] phone [redacted] was interviewed concerning the March 30, 1981, assassination attempt on President Reagan, and advised as follows:

[redacted] advised that on March 30, 1981, at approximately 2:15 P.M., [redacted]

[redacted] in anticipation of seeing the President exiting the Washington Hilton Hotel. [redacted] advised that he noted Secret Service agents on the roof of the Hilton Hotel and that he watched the entrance to the hotel for approximately 10 to 15 minutes when people began coming out. He stated that the President was the third or fourth person out. [redacted] stated that he had a good vantage point from [redacted] and could see the President waving and could hear the crowd cheering.

[redacted] stated that he observed an individual open the door to the President's limousine and saw some flashes and heard what he believed to be six gunshots. He advised that he turned to [redacted] a fellow employee and said "They shot the President!" At this time, he observed a Secret Service agent shove the President into the limousine. He added that by this time, other security people had pulled out their guns, and the President's limousine pulled away on T Street, N.W., toward Connecticut Avenue and turned left on Connecticut Avenue, N.W.

[redacted] then looked back to where he noted the flashes coming from, near the entrance to the Hilton and observed a group of people on top of someone. He advised that he also noted two people on the ground. He noted that the Secret Service people (on the roof of the Hilton) were showing rifles at this time.

He added that he got a glimpse of an individual with a tan jacket on being put into a police car. He stated that the police could not open the door to one of their cars, so they put this individual into a second car and took him away.

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] home address [REDACTED] was interviewed concerning the March 30, 1981, attempted assassination of President Reagan and advised as follows:

[REDACTED] advised that on March 30, 1981, sometime after 2:00 p.m., while working in her office, a co-worker, [REDACTED], came into the office and advised that there had been a shooting. [REDACTED] stated that they looked [REDACTED] towards the Washington Hilton Hotel and observed a commotion near the Hilton entrance on T Street, Northwest. She observed a lot of police and ambulances arriving, but did not know the commotion involved the President. She could provide no further details.

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[REDACTED], and who resides at [REDACTED]
 was interviewed regarding the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981, and advised as follows:

On the afternoon of March 30, 1981, [REDACTED]

As she heard a few pops, she rushed to the window and saw three bodies lying on the ground in front of the VII entrance of the Washington Hilton Hotel. [REDACTED] also saw the assailant against the wall to the right of this entrance being apprehended. [REDACTED] was unable to give a physical description of the assailant, inasmuch as he was surrounded by a group of plainclothesmen.

[REDACTED] did not observe anything unusual in the crowds besides a woman with short brown hair and wearing a rust-brown type outfit, rush over to Special Agent Timothy McCarthy, United States Secret Service, as he was laying on the ground.

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[REDACTED] advised that he first noticed that the President was at the Hilton Hotel when he saw what he thought were Secret Service Agents (on the roof of the Hilton). [REDACTED] stated that he had seen Agents (on the roof of the Hilton) on other occasions when the President was at the Hilton. [REDACTED] stated he saw the President emerge from the Hilton Hotel and then walk towards his car. He then observed the President turn towards the press at which time he heard five shots. At the time he heard the shots he saw several people dive to the sidewalk for cover. He then saw the President being pushed into the limousine and then saw the limousine take off.

[REDACTED] stated that he has fired a gun before and was surprised at how quickly the shots had been fired. [REDACTED] also advised that he was surprised at how quick the Secret Service was able to remove the President from the scene at the Hilton Hotel.

[REDACTED] stated that due to the fact that the alleged assassin was near a canopy at the Hilton, he could not observe the alleged assassin. He did, however, see a crowd try to subdue the alleged assassin and place him in a police car. [REDACTED] advised that just prior to and after the assassination attempt, he observed nothing of an unusual nature.

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[redacted] telephone [redacted]

[redacted] residence [redacted] telephone [redacted] was interviewed regarding the attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan on March 30, 1981. [redacted] furnished the following information:

[redacted] advised that he was at his desk at approximately 2:20 p.m., on March 30, 1981. He advised that he knew the President was at the Washington Hilton Hotel across the street because he could see Secret Service Agents (on the roof of the hotel).

A short time later, [redacted] heard four popping noises in rapid succession that he immediately identified as gunshots. [redacted] immediately went to his window and observed an individual he believed to be a Secret Service Agent lying on the sidewalk. At approximately this same time, [redacted] observed the door of the Presidential limousine being closed and watched it speed away.

[redacted] advised that he then noticed two other victims lying on the sidewalk and observed approximately ten people clustered around an individual near the wall next to the VIP entrance of the hotel. According to [redacted] this individual appeared to be a white male with gray hair.

[redacted] advised that he then observed someone attending to the injured Secret Service Agent. About this same time, police attempted to put the individual with gray hair into a police car. There was a problem getting the door to this vehicle open and the individual was finally put into another police car and taken away.

[redacted] advised that he then heard sirens from all directions and observed two ambulances arrive. The first ambulance had difficulty leaving the scene due to all of the traffic and confusion. [redacted] stated that police then tried to secure the area in an attempt to keep spectators at a distance.

[redacted] could furnish no additional pertinent information.

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[redacted] telephone [redacted] telephone residence [redacted] was interviewed regarding the attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan on March 30, 1981. [redacted] furnished the following information:

[redacted] advised that he was at his desk at approximately 2:20 p.m., on March 30, 1981. He advised that he knew the President was at the Washington Hilton Hotel across the street because he could see Secret Service Agents [redacted].

A short time later, [redacted] heard four popping noises in rapid succession that he immediately identified as gunshots. [redacted] immediately went to his window and observed an individual he believed to be a Secret Service Agent lying on the sidewalk. At approximately this same time, [redacted] observed the door of the Presidential limousine being closed and watched it speed away.

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[redacted] advised that he then heard sirens from all directions and observed two ambulances arrive. The first ambulance had difficulty leaving the scene due to all of the traffic and confusion. [redacted] stated that police then tried to secure the area in an attempt to keep spectators at a distance.

[redacted] could furnish no additional pertinent information.

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[REDACTED], telephone number [REDACTED], was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent both orally and by display of credentials. [REDACTED] was also advised that the interview regarded the assault on President Ronald Reagan on March 30, 1981. [REDACTED] furnished the following information:

[REDACTED] and was attending the AFL/CIO sponsored speech by President Reagan on March 30, 1981, in that capacity. [REDACTED] stated that he attended the speech of President Reagan and left the auditorium following the speech. After hearing that someone had been shooting, [REDACTED] came out of the Hilton Hotel on the 19th Street side which he believes is the same side that the assault on President Reagan occurred. At the time he came out of the Hilton Hotel, he saw a large crowd of people and a considerable amount of confusion. He observed three people lying on the sidewalk but did not observe President Reagan.

[REDACTED] advised that he remained there until the ambulances had left. He did not observe the suspect at this time.

[REDACTED] was shown a photograph of John Warnock Hinckley, Jr., and he advised that he did not see Hinckley at any time during his stay in Washington, D. C.

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[REDACTED] was interviewed at the Washington Hilton Hotel, Connecticut and Florida [REDACTED], J. C., Washington, D. C. [REDACTED] was advised of the official identity of the interviewer, Agent and the nature of the inquiry. [REDACTED] thereafter provided the following information:

[REDACTED] stated: He was watching out the window to see if he could catch a glimpse of President Reagan. He stated that he thought that he had possibly turned his back for a moment, when he heard four shots. He stated that they sounded like firecrackers, when he looked out the window he saw everyone in the crowd getting down on the ground. He stated that he did not see anyone carrying a gun or any other like object. He assumed that the sound of gunfire came from the lobby of the hotel.

He stated that the reason that he came forward as a witness was that he saw a man, who appeared to be out of place. He stated that he went by this that he saw a white male, carrying a two-way radio, who appeared to be with the police. That was his suspicion of this man was that his attire did not seem to be that of a police officer. He described the man as being approximately six feet tall, dark hair, wearing a red jacket or windbreaker and dark slacks. He stated that the man may have had a beard but that he only saw him from the back.

He stated that he did not actually see the [REDACTED].

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[redacted] telephone [redacted]

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[redacted] was interviewed re-
garding the attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan
on March 30, 1981. [redacted] furnished the following information:

[redacted] advised that she knew the President was coming
because she observed Secret Service Agents (on the roof of the)
Washington Hilton Hotel which is located across the street from
her office in the Universal North Building.

[redacted] advised that at approximately 2:30 p.m., on
March 30, 1981, she observed the President come out of the door
of the VIP entrance of the Washington Hilton. She noted no
difference in security arrangements than she has observed for
past visits by the President. Seconds after the President
sailed and waved to the crowd, [redacted] heard approximately four
pops which sounded like firecrackers.

[redacted] advised that she then observed the President's
limousine depart the area and saw three individuals lying on
the ground. [redacted] could not see who was responsible for the
shooting, but did see a scurry of activity in which five or six
people jumped on an individual and were holding him to the
ground immediately behind the first grate to the right of the
VIP entrance. After one or two minutes, a police car came up
and the individual was put inside. [redacted] could see only the
top of this individual's head. He had reddish-blond hair.

[redacted] advised that mass confusion followed and that
she observed several people administering first aid to the victims
on the sidewalk. Ambulances had difficulty arriving at the scene
from the direction of Florida Avenue because of traffic and con-
fusion.

[redacted] could furnish no additional pertinent infor-
mation.

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[REDACTED] residence [REDACTED], was interviewed by [REDACTED] home phone [REDACTED], who identified himself as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. [REDACTED] was interviewed [REDACTED] at her place of employment, and she provided the following information:

[REDACTED] They decided to stop and wait to see the President depart at the Washington Hilton. She saw press people, police and a crowd gathering. At that time, she and [REDACTED] were standing under an overhang between the entrances of the drug store and the Universal Building lobby. [REDACTED] saw cameras positioning to await the President's departure. [REDACTED] advised the President departed the Washington Hilton with security people, and he was waving to the crowd. As the President approached the car, [REDACTED] advised she heard a firecracker noise and saw smoke in the air. A man shoved the President into the car (Presidential limousine) and the car took off.

[REDACTED] advised there was then a lot of confusion. People were running everywhere. She did see one man lying on the street. [REDACTED] said she thinks she heard at least five shots, maybe more.

After realizing what had happened, she returned to work. [REDACTED] advised she believes she returned to work at 1:30 p.m., although she did not look at a clock. She seemed sure about the time, and that she returned by 1:30 p.m.

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phone [REDACTED] was interviewed concerning the March 30, 1981, assassination attempt on President Reagan, and advised as follows:

[REDACTED] advised that Presidents of the United States often visit the Washington Hilton [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that he saw a lot of security people around the hotel, so he went to his window in hopes of seeing President Reagan at approximately 2:00 p.m., on March 30, 1981. He advised that a few minutes went by when he noted the President and his party exiting the Hilton. He stated that he observed the President waving, first with his right hand, then his left hand. He stated that as the President neared his car, he [REDACTED] heard what he believes were three or four shots and saw some flashes near the front wall of the Hilton. He observed two men shove the President into his car and then these men got into the car too. He stated that he also observed three men fall to the ground on the sidewalk near the entrance to the Hilton on T Street, N.W. He stated that he observed a pile of men on the sidewalk near the front wall and the entrance to the Hilton.

[REDACTED] advised that after a short hesitation the President's limousine sped away toward Connecticut Avenue, N.W.

Concerning the pile of men, mentioned above, [REDACTED] advised that he noted approximately ten men in the pile, one in particular was a heavy set, white male, with a yellow sweater and brown hat, the rest he believes were security and police. [REDACTED] advised that he heard someone say "Kill him."

[REDACTED] stated that when this pile of men got up, he noted them holding a sandy haired individual in a tan jacket. He stated that this man was taken to one police car and the door would not open. He then heard someone scream "Get another car." He observed another police car arrive and this man was

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put into it and taken away immediately toward Connecticut Avenue, N.W.

[REDACTED] advised that he observed ambulances arrive that had come for those who were wounded.

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[redacted], who resides at [redacted] telephone [redacted] furnished the following information:

[redacted]
On this date, [redacted] came to the Washington Hilton Hotel, Connecticut Avenue at T Street, N.W., WDC, to hear President Reagan speak to the convention, but arrived too late. In hope of seeing the President, [redacted] came out of the Terrace Level exit and walked west toward the South exit to T Street, where a crowd was gathered. Within a moment, the President and his party appeared from the South exit, walking toward the motorcade vehicles.

[redacted] moved to the right, toward the sidewalk and wall, to get a better view, approaching a point where he estimates he was thirty-five to forty (35-40) feet from the President. Then [redacted] could see the President raise his hand, waving to the crowd. Immediately thereafter, [redacted] heard four (4) or five (5) cracking noises which seemed to come from a position just to the right of the President. The sounds were rhythmic in nature, came only from that one spot, and were over quickly. [redacted] did not hear any shouts prior to the noises, nor did he observe any smoke from the area from which the sounds emanated.

[redacted] did not see the President after that moment as the crowd began to move back and there was a lot of commotion which blocked his view.

[redacted] furnished a rough sketch of his position relative to that of the President's party and the point from which the sounds emanated.

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] was interviewed at the Washington Hilton Hotel, 1913 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C. [REDACTED] was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and the nature of the inquiry. He thereafter provided the following information:

[REDACTED] stated that he was attending the Union Convention being held at the Washington Hilton Hotel. He stated that he came out of a side door of the hotel in order to see President Reagan as he was leaving the building. He stated that he was standing about thirty feet from the President. He heard a succession of about four or five shots. He stated that he did not see the gun or the assailant. He stated that at the distance he was standing from the President, his vision of the events was obstructed.

He advised that he is staying at the [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED] was contacted at his place of employment, advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents, the nature of the interview and advised the following:

[REDACTED] stated that on March 30, 1981, he took a subway, from work to hear President Reagan's speech at the Washington Hilton that afternoon. [REDACTED] stated he has a "flexible" schedule, which allows him free time.

[REDACTED] advised that he watched President Reagan's speech on that afternoon inside the Washington Hilton, but departed the hotel before everyone else did to avoid the rush. [REDACTED] stated he just followed one of the camera crews to see where President Reagan was going to depart the building. [REDACTED] stated when he got outside the hotel, he was standing parallel to the doors of the hotel, off the sidewalk, and was not standing in the press area when President Reagan appeared. [REDACTED] stated he was looking at President Reagan when he heard shots fired. [REDACTED] stated he did not hit the ground, but just crouched down a little. [REDACTED] advised that at the time he heard shots fired, he estimated that he was approximately 20 feet from the President.

[REDACTED] advised he noticed several people against the wall struggling, but [REDACTED] advised that he did not see who fired the shots at President Reagan. [REDACTED] further advised that at no time, either inside or outside the Washington Hilton, did he see anyone resembling John W. Hinckley, Jr. [REDACTED] stated that he did not know anyone that was present at the Washington Hilton.

[REDACTED] advised that after the shooting, he approached Secret Service Special Agent Timothy McCarthy, who appeared shot and lying on the sidewalk. [REDACTED] advised that he asked McCarthy if he was all right. [REDACTED] then stated McCarthy seemed to respond that he was all right for the moment, so [REDACTED] walked over to Metropolitan Police Department Officer Delahanty and

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all right. [redacted] stated neither of the two verbally answered him, however, Delahanty seemed to be suffering more than McCarthy.

[redacted] advised he was then grabbed by the arm by a Secret Service Agent, but only momentarily, and [redacted] advised he moved a few feet away from the injured parties. [redacted] stated he stayed at the scene until all injured parties had been administered to and had been taken away in ambulances.

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[REDACTED]

voluntarily furnished the following information:

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[REDACTED] at approximately 2:00 p.m., when he observed the Presidential Limousine and marked police cars in front of the Hilton Hotel on T. Street. He assured that President Ronald W. Reagan was in the Hilton Hotel and he decided to sit in the Connecticut Street lobby of the Universal Building so that he could see the President when he left the Hilton Hotel. [REDACTED] advised that he sat near the window of the lobby where he could see the Presidential Motorcade and entrances to the Hilton Hotel.

While waiting to see the President, he observed numerous people walking back and forth across T Street. Approximately ten minutes before the President came out of the hotel, he observed an individual walk from the Universal Building sidewalk across T Street into the crowded area around the main entrance to the Hilton Hotel. He advised this individual looked like a construction worker, and he thought it unusual that this person would be walking in such a casual manner at that time of day. He described this individual as a white male, age 30 to 35, height 6', weight 170, hair blonde or sandy, dull color plaid casual jacket, and blue jeans. His clothes appeared to be too large for him.

[REDACTED] further advised that while still waiting for the President, he observed a uniformed police officer showing a female the interior of the Presidential Limousine. He advised that the uniformed officer opened the rear passenger door allowing the female to look inside the limousine. The uniformed officer was chatting with the female for several minutes approximately 5 to 7 minutes before the President

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[redacted] described the female as (white, came out of the hotel. [redacted] age 35 to 40, short blonde hair, wearing a beige bowler-type hat, dark color camel-hair-type knee length coat and possibly slacks.)

[redacted] stated that he observed President Reagan walked from the Hilton Hotel toward the Presidential Limousine at approximately 2:25 p.m., when he heard 5 or 6 gunshots and saw the President being pushed into the limousine. [redacted] stated that he did not see who did the shooting, inasmuch as his vision was blocked partially by the crowd and the motorcade. He did observe a man being pinned against the wall of the Hilton Hotel, who was subsequently placed in a police car and taken away.

[redacted] was exhibited the following spread of photographs:

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- 1.) [redacted], SA U.S. Secret Service
- 2.) [redacted], SA Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Washington Field Office (WFO).
- 3.) [redacted], SA FBI, WFO.
- 4.) [redacted], SA FBI, WFO
- 5.) John Wernock Minckley, Jr.
- 6.) [redacted], SA FBI, WFO
- 7.) [redacted], Clerk, FBI, WFO.

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After viewing the above spread of photographs, [redacted] selected photographs number 1, [redacted], number 3, and number 5, Minckley, and advised that the individuals depicted in the three photographs looked similar to the individual he observed walking across the street wearing the plaid jacket. He further advised that the individual depicted in the number 1 photograph looks most like the individual wearing the plaid jacket.

[redacted] stated that he did not recall having seen news media pictures of John Minckley subsequent to the assassination, but he is not positive that he had not previously seen a picture of Minckley.

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[REDACTED] Washington, D.C., was interviewed on April 6, 1981, regarding the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981. [REDACTED] furnished the following information:

[REDACTED] was standing outside the T Street entrance to the Universal Building about 2:25 P.M. on March 30, 1981, waiting for President Reagan to leave the Washington Hilton Hotel, directly across the street. [REDACTED] saw President Reagan come out of the hotel and begin waving to the crowd. She then heard a series of rapid shots, about five shots, and saw "sparks" coming from the crowd to the President's left. [REDACTED] then ran toward the Universal Building and proceeded to her office.

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[REDACTED] telephone number [REDACTED] was interviewed by SA's [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] who identified themselves to [REDACTED] as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. At the outset of the interview, [REDACTED] was advised by SA [REDACTED] that she was being interviewed because she is a witness to the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981, at the Washington Hilton Hotel.

[REDACTED] advised as follows:

[REDACTED] She did not see President Reagan depart the Hilton Hotel, but did hear four gun shots ring out and subsequently looked out to see three individuals lying on the sidewalk. She also saw the Presidential limousine speeding away in the direction of Connecticut Avenue. She noticed someone being taken by the police and assumed this must have been the assailant, however, she was not positive until she heard what took place over the radio later in the day.

She did make several observations she felt were pertinent. She noticed that an ambulance stationed at the Connecticut Avenue entrance to the Washington Hilton Hotel was extremely slow in responding to the T Street side of the Hilton after the shooting. She said this was due to the fact that several cabs were parked in front of the ambulance preventing it from moving. She has witnessed President Reagan and former President Carter arrive and depart the Washington Hilton on previous occasions and has noticed the ambulance parked nearby, but never in a position where it was blocked in. She also felt that there were fewer D.C. policemen on the street than she had previously observed on other visits by the Presidents. She stated she was not trying to be critical but only make observations on differences she noticed between this visit and other visits by the President.

She did not notice any other unusual conditions or

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circumstances on March 30, 1981. In all the confusion following the attempted assault, she was not paying close attention to the movements of any particular individual except for the Secret Service Agent holding the submachine gun, shouting out orders. She is aware of who shot President Reagan and what he looks like and is positive she has never seen him in or around the Hilton Hotel or any other building in that area.

She could not offer any other information pertinent to this investigation, but advised she would contact the FBI if she recalled any additional facts.

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[REDACTED] home address [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] telephone number [REDACTED] was interviewed on April
 5, 1981 by SA [REDACTED] Washington field office,
 Federal Bureau of Investigation.

[REDACTED] across the
 street from the Presidential entrance of the Washington Hilton
 Hotel as President Reagan was departing from the Hotel on
 March 30, 1981 at approximately 2:30 P.M. As she was waving
 to the President, [REDACTED] saw fire come from a gun and heard
 five rapid shots. The gunman was standing in the second row
 of people directly behind a cameraman. The President was
 immediately rushed away in his limousine.

[REDACTED] saw a Secret Service man turn directly
 toward the gunman and then fall to the ground.

[REDACTED] could not identify or describe the gunman.
 Her view of the gunman was blocked by the camera sitting on
 the shoulders of the cameraman.

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[REDACTED] STATED AS FOLLOWS:
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[REDACTED]

AS HE CAME OUT THE MAIN ENTRANCE OF THE WASHINGTON HILTON, HE SAW THE PRESIDENT'S CAR AND LEARNED THAT PRESIDENT REAGAN WAS COMING OUT AN ADJACENT EXIT.

[REDACTED] BEGAN TO PHOTOGRAPH THE PRESIDENT WITH HIS INSTAMATIC CAMERA. AS HE AIMED HIS CAMERA AT THE PRESIDENT, HE HEARD SHOTS.

HE THEN SAW THE PRESIDENT NOBBLE. THE PRESIDENT WAS SHOWN INTO HIS CAR, WHICH THEN SPED OFF.

[REDACTED] WAS JOSTLED BY THE CROWD, THE FLASH WAS KNOCKED OFF CAMERA, HE RETRIEVED IT AND TOOK MORE PICTURES.

[REDACTED] SAW THREE POLICEMEN JUMP ON THE MAN WHO SHOT THE PRESIDENT. HE HAD BLONDISH HAIR AND WAS OF AVERAGE SIZE. THE POLICE RUSHED HIM INTO A POLICE CAR AND LEFT THE SCENE.

[REDACTED] FURNISHED THE UNDEVELOPED EXPOSED FILM FROM HIS CAMERA WHICH WAS MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION BY SPECIAL AGENT [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED] that a clerical aide had told him that the President was ready to come out and that he had gone to the window expecting to see the President exit and leave routinely. He advised that it is a common occurrence for the President to come and leave by this exit. [REDACTED] advised that he saw the President exit the Washington Hilton Hotel and at that time saw one of the people with him hit the ground and saw the President being pushed into the car. He advised that at this point he thought the President may have bumped his head; it was not until after the presidential limousine had left that he saw two other wounded individuals lying on the sidewalk. He advised that you could almost sense that there had been a shooting. [REDACTED] advised that he was not able to see the assailant, however he was able to see him being escorted by Metropolitan Police Department officers and Secret Service Agents to a waiting Metropolitan Police car. He advised from his vantage point he could see the President exit from the Washington Hilton, however he was not able to see where the assailant was standing. [REDACTED] continued that things happened so fast it was very hard to keep them in perspective.

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[REDACTED] and
voluntarily furnished the following information:

[REDACTED] She arrived at approximately 2:20 p.m., and before entering the Universal Building she noticed a crowd of people, including news reporters, standing around the T Street side of the Washington Hilton Hotel. She asked a nearby bystander why the crowd had gathered, and was advised by this person that President Ronald W. Reagan was giving a speech in the Washington Hilton Hotel and would be coming out of the hotel in a short period of time. [REDACTED] decided to stand on the sidewalk in front of the Connecticut Avenue lobby of the Universal Building and watch the President when he came out. She stated that a short time later, she observed several people walk out of the Hilton Hotel followed by President Reagan. President Reagan waved to the crowd, and as he got close to his limousine, [REDACTED] heard approximately four or five gunshots. She observed President Reagan being shoved into his limousine and a blonde haired white male being pushed up against the wall of the hotel. She further observed people lying on the sidewalk in front of the hotel, and subsequently watched the ambulances and police cars arrive.

[REDACTED] stated she did not see the person who fired the shots.

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[REDACTED] was contacted at his place of business. [REDACTED] stated that he also resides [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Shortly thereafter he noticed a fuel oil truck park across the street and the driver began preparing to deliver oil to the Universal Building. [REDACTED] stated he brought this to the attention of a Secret Service Agent on post at the door and subsequently observed a Metropolitan Police Officer tell the driver of the fuel truck to move on, which he did.

[REDACTED] stated that he went outside and noticed a small group in a cordoned off section next to the wall but took no notice of anyone in particular in that group.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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four (4) rapid-fire gunshots, that all sounded identical.

[redacted] stated that he glanced to his left and saw a mass of bodies near the wall area that had previously been sectioned off. [redacted] stated that he could not immediately tell what was going on.

[redacted] recalled that he then observed [redacted] of the Secret Service push the President into the rear of the limousine. [redacted] then observed three injured people on the ground and saw a large service-type revolver near Mr. James Brady's head. [redacted] recalled that he thought to himself, "There's three (3) people down and I heard four (4) shots."

[redacted] stated he next observed the Police and Secret Service trying to get an individual into a squad car, however, he never actually saw this individual.

[redacted] advised that late Wednesday, April 1, 1981, [redacted] brought six developed photographs that he [redacted] had taken on March 30, 1981, before and during the President's arrival at the hotel and upon his departure from the hotel.

[redacted] noted that [redacted] and he recognized an individual in the photograph of a group in a cordoned off section next to the wall by the Presidential Entrance as appearing to them to be identical to the person identified as the President's assailant on March 30, 1981, at their hotel.

[redacted] advised that he subsequently called [redacted] of the Secret Service and later that evening turned over the six snap shots to a Secret Service Agent named [redacted] (Phonetic) [redacted] stated that [redacted] has retained custody of the six negatives. [redacted] thereafter made available six enlarged color photographs.

[redacted]

[redacted]

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After being advised of the official identity of the interviewing agent and the nature of the inquiry,

[redacted] was not within the entrance to the building at the Washington Hilton Hotel when the assassination attempt was made. At approximately 2:30 p.m. (which was characterized as a rough guess), [redacted] heard four distinct shots. [redacted] shots at a very close range. All sounds identical to [redacted] and sounded like they originated from the same position. Approximately five seconds after the shots, [redacted] heard a loud noise from the crowd, which is actually what [redacted] reacted to. [redacted] witness is about twenty-five yards from where the assassination attempt occurred. [redacted] any time in the building. [redacted] looked out his window. [redacted] looked out his window. [redacted] a gray suit lying on the ground. [redacted] before anyone helped him. [redacted] margins of the hotel blocks [redacted] only other thing that he saw was someone rushed into a police car approximately ten to thirty seconds after the above events.

[redacted] works two offices down from [redacted] office is. [redacted] sequence of events. [redacted] accompanied [redacted] the street to the Washington Hilton Hotel to be interviewed.

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[redacted] home telephone, [redacted] work telephone
[redacted] was interviewed at the Washington Hilton Hotel,
1919 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C. He was
advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and the
nature of the inquiry. He thereafter provided the
following information:

[redacted] He stated that he was trying
to see the Presidential party as they departed from the
Washington Hilton Hotel. He stated that at approximately
2:30 P.M., he heard sounds which he believed to be gunshots.
He stated that he believed that there were four gunshots.
He stated that the next thing that he saw was a man lying
on the ground. He stated that he did not see the assassin
of President Reagan.

He stated that he could provide no other information
concerning the assassination attempt.

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as advised of the Agents' identity and nature of their inquiry. Sponsor then advised as follows:

He resides at [redacted]
[redacted] telephone [redacted]

[redacted] awaiting the departure of President Ronald Reagan from the Washington Hilton Hotel. He observed President Reagan exit the hotel and walk towards his limousine. President Reagan initially raised his hand waving to the crowd, first towards his right then his left. [redacted] at this point turned away from the scene to converse with a fellow employee who was just departing his office. While engaged in a conversation with this employee, [redacted] heard a noise which he believed was gunfire. He first heard one shot, a pause, and then four shots in rapid succession. This caused him to turn back towards his office window where he observed a crowd of people scattering about. [redacted] saw President Reagan near the door to his limousine. Reagan was then pushed inside the car. [redacted] then observed one of Reagan's security men apparently shout for the car to leave the scene. The next thing he observed was an individual lying on the ground. At this point he could only observe one individual as the President's car initially blocked the view of a second body which was later identified as Mr. Brady. [redacted] also saw the body of an individual later identified as a Secret Service Agent lying on his side. Mr. Brady's body became completely obscured from his view because of the number of people surrounding the scene.

[redacted] stated he did not personally observe the individual considered the suspect in the shooting. He did see a number of people in a huddle, apparently trying to restrain someone against the wall of the hotel. Due to the number of people around the area, he could not see anyone in the middle of the huddle. [redacted] did observe this individual being placed inside a police vehicle a short while later and believed that the man had light blond hair.

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[redacted] concluded by stating that he was unable to provide any other pertinent information regarding either the suspect of the crime or the incident itself.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was interviewed on April 9, 1981, regarding the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981. [REDACTED] furnished the following information:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] did not observe the President leave the hotel or hear the shots which were fired when he left. [REDACTED]'s attention was diverted to the area of the hotel by one of the other individuals in his office. When [REDACTED] looked over to the hotel he saw an individual, whom he believed to be a Secret Service Agent, lying on the sidewalk and a group of people near the retaining wall next to the hotel.

[REDACTED] had not noted any unusual activity at the hotel prior to the time that the President left.

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] home address [REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED] was interviewed concerning the March 30, 1981, assassination attempt on President Reagan and advised as follows:

[REDACTED] advised that on March 30, 1981, at sometime around 2:00 P.M., while on a lunch break, he went out on the T Street exit of his office building and briefly stopped to talk to Officer [REDACTED] Metropolitan Police Department, who was directing traffic on T Street, Northwest, near the Hilton. [REDACTED] advised that he then went to a small sandwich shop near the office for a sandwich. He advised that while ordering his sandwich, he noticed out the window that the President was arriving at the Hilton. He advised that he saw the President wave to a crowd of people. He then packed up his sandwich, went back to his office and began working.

[REDACTED] advised that at approximately 2:30 P.M., he heard some sounds like firecrackers or a popping sound but kept working. He stated that at this time, a fellow employee, [REDACTED] stated "something is happening". [REDACTED] advised that he looked out his window and saw some people struggling with someone near the Hilton Hotel. He advised that he saw a man in a blue suit lying on the ground and he observed the back of a limousine pulling away from the Hilton entrance. The next thing [REDACTED] remembered was ambulances arriving at the scene.

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[redacted] telephone [redacted] was interviewed regarding the attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan on March 30, 1981. [redacted] furnished the following information:

[redacted] when she heard seven shots that sounded like firecrackers. There was a pause after the second shot, another pause after the fifth shot with two more shots following close together. The shots sounded like they were fired by a .22 or .25 caliber weapon. [redacted] then rushed to the window in time to see the Presidential limousine pull away. At this point, [redacted] advised that her story has become somewhat confused with news accounts of the incident.

[redacted] advised that to the best of her recollection, [redacted] then rushed into the office and said that the President had been shot. Through the window, [redacted] saw mobs of people behind the press line and two individuals on the sidewalk.

[redacted] then rushed out to the street and observed a pressure bandage being administered to a wounded individual, she believed to be a Secret Service Agent. Police officers were cordoning off the area with ropes and people were screaming that certain individuals should be allowed through.

[redacted] observed victims being loaded into two ambulances. [redacted] did not see the accused assailant.

[redacted] Stringfellow could provide no additional pertinent information.

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██████████ telephone ██████████ and who is employed by ██████████ telephone ██████████, furnished the following information: ██████████

at approximately 2:35-2:40 p.m. this date when he heard from the crowd of people gathered there that President Reagan was in the Washington Hilton, across the street from where [redacted] was standing. [redacted] decided to wait in the entryway to 2024 T Street in hope of seeing the President.

A few moments later, the President and Mrs. Kennedy emerged from the South exit of the Hilton and walked toward the motorcade vehicles. From his position, [redacted] was observing the President over the top of the Presidential limousine, which was parked in an almost perpendicular position relative to [redacted].

As [redacted] watched, the President waved with his right hand, smiled at the crowd around [redacted] then turned to his left, waving with his left hand. After about three more steps by the President, [redacted] heard four cracking noises - the first two close together followed by two more spaced further apart. The sounds came from a point to the right of the President, close to the block wall which runs from the South exit to the Terrace Level exit. [redacted] furnished a rough sketch drawing showing his position, that of the President and that of the sounds.)

Immediately after the noises, [redacted] observed a commotion, with the crowd moving back away from the point of the sounds. But [redacted] primarily kept his attention on the Presidential limousine until he noted that a group of fifteen to twenty (15-20) people grabbing and wrestling with a white male (Unknown Subject Number One) wearing a brown coat. [redacted] then noted a police officer lying on the sidewalk at a point between the group scuffling with Unknown Subject Number One and the limousine. The police officer was face down, oriented in such a way that his head was toward Connecticut Avenue and his hand on his back.

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A second man (Unknown Subject Number Two) was lying face down close to the wall and the scuffle, between the scuffle and the limousine. The crowd blocked [REDACTED] view, preventing his being able to determine the orientation of Unknown Subject Number Two.

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A third man (Unknown Subject Number Three) was lying face down with his head toward Unknown Subject Number One's position.

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] was interviewed regarding the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981, and advised as follows:

On the afternoon of March 30, 1981, [REDACTED] was working in his office and although he heard the Presidential Motorcade arrive at the Washington Hilton, he did not go to the window to see the President, inasmuch as Presidential visits to the Washington Hilton have become a common occurrence for [REDACTED] and his colleagues. As [REDACTED] heard six distinct single shots, he rushed to the window and saw a man lying on the ground in front of the VIP entrance of the Hilton Hotel. [REDACTED] observed the subsequent commotion which occurred on the sidewalk, including the Presidential limousine speeding out of the driveway of the Washington Hilton and the other three wounded individuals being taken away in ambulances.

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[redacted] was interviewed regarding the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981. [redacted] furnished the following information:

[redacted] about 2:25 p.m. when he noticed movement in the crowd gathered across T Street, Northwest, at the Washington Hilton Hotel, where President Reagan was appearing. [redacted] observed President Reagan leave the hotel and approach his car. The President paused about two or three steps from his limousine, smiled and waved to the crowd. While the President was waving, [redacted] heard five or six gunshots and saw what could have been either muzzle flashes or flashes from cameras. [redacted] initial reaction was that someone was shooting directly at the window through which he was observing this scene. [redacted] stated that the President was shoved into his car very quickly and was out of the area in a matter of seconds.

[redacted] said he saw three individuals lying on the sidewalk and that it seemed to take a long time before they were taken away by ambulance.

After the shooting ceased, [redacted] observed a large group of people gathered at the retaining wall near the door from which the President had emerged. It looked like a fight soon and [redacted] could not see the individual being restrained. After the wounded individuals were taken away in ambulances, a police car was driven up and an attempt was made to shove the suspect into the car. It appeared that the suspect was resisting and the officers were not able to get him into the car. A second police car then drove up and the suspect was placed in that vehicle. [redacted] was able to get a partial view of the suspect at the time and could see that he had light hair.

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██████ had seen the crowd gathering at the hotel before the President came out, but had not noticed anything or anyone he considered unusual:

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[REDACTED] was interviewed regarding the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981, and advised as follows:

On March 30, 1981, shortly before 2:00 p.m., she walked out of the Washington Hilton Hotel to go across the street and mail a letter. As she was returning to the hotel and saw the Presidential motorcade, she decided to stay outside and watch the President come out. She walked up to [REDACTED] and

asked his permission to stand in the driveway. As she stood in the driveway chatting with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] she asked [REDACTED] to obtain permission for her to glance into the Presidential limousine. [REDACTED] Having obtained such permission, she briefly glanced into the Presidential limousine, which at this time was unattended by the driver. Having returned to the [REDACTED] limousine, she proceeded to ask the [REDACTED]

During the conversation with the driver, she pointed to the Universal Building, which is located directly across the street from the Washington Hilton, as well as to several other hotels in the neighborhood, which in her opinion, presented a security risk to a Presidential visit. To her inquiry, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] noted that the Secret Service takes far greater precautions in securing a Presidential visit to an area such as this one, than she may think. Her conversation with [REDACTED] was interrupted

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[redacted] was interviewed concerning the March 30, 1981, assassination attempt of President Reagan and advised as follows:

[redacted] Washington
At approximately 1:30 or 1:45 p.m., he observed President Reagan arrive at the Hilton. He advised that he noticed a lot of people behind a roped barricade at the Hilton entrance on T Street and added that the President waved at these people. He further advised that he observed President Reagan shake hands with a large white male in a beige jacket and brown slacks. The President then entered the Hilton Hotel. During this time, [redacted] advised that he thought to himself that security did not seem to be as tight because from where he stood, his vision of President Reagan was not obstructed in any way.

[redacted] advised that he spent the next half hour or until approximately 2:15 p.m. on the Mezzanine. He then went back to his office on the 11th floor. He advised that he began looking out the window that faced the Hilton Hotel with fellow employees, [redacted] and [redacted]. He stated that after approximately five minutes, the President came out of the Hilton via what Thompson termed "the President's entrance", which is located to the left of the main entrance to the Hilton on the T Street, Northwest, side. He stated that he observed the President waving towards Connecticut Avenue, then he waved towards a group of people who were behind a roped barricade on T Street. At this time, he heard approximately five shots and observed the President being shoved into the car and departed immediately towards Connecticut Avenue on T Street, Northwest. Thompson advised that he noticed people lying on the ground and

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remembered three individuals lying on the sidewalk. He further advised that he observed people wrestling against the front wall of the Hilton and then he saw police taking an individual, who he cannot describe to a police car but they could not open the door. He added that another police car arrived and this individual was then put into this police car and they departed in the same direction as the President's car.

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██████████ advised that he noted the bodies were still lying on the sidewalk and people were around the bodies giving what he believed to be aid. Thompson advised that ambulances began arriving shortly after this.

██████████ further noted that he had noticed an ambulance parked on the Connecticut Avenue side of the Hilton Hotel entrance before the above took place. He added he cannot remember if this ambulance responded to the scene.

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[redacted] home address [redacted] phone [redacted] was interviewed concerning the March 30, 1981, assassination attempt on President Reagan, and advised as follows:

[redacted] advised that she knew that the President was going to the Washington Hilton on March 30, 1981.

At approximately 2:20 p.m., while working at her desk, she advised that she heard three noises that sounded like a car backfiring. She advised that she also heard a commotion outside and went to a window [redacted] office and observed some people running across T Street, N.W., from the Hilton to her office building. She stated that she also observed three men loitering on the sidewalk near a side entrance to the Hilton on T Street known to her as "VIP door." She advised that she observed police everywhere including two men on the Hilton roof with what looked like machine guns.

[redacted] remembers observing two ambulances and a fire truck and rescue squad arrive on the scene. She added that she observed the police take a heavy set white male with a yellow arcator and beige hat and put him into a police car.

[redacted] advised that the police roped off T Street, N.W., and the ambulances departed.

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[REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED] that she was watching from the window in her office when she saw the Secret Service Agents walking to the edge of the Washington Hilton Hotel roof and was aware, as it is a common occurrence at this hotel, that the President was getting ready to emerge from the Washington Hilton Hotel. She advised that it was at this time that she received a telephone call and turned from the window to answer the telephone.

[REDACTED] advised that she walked out of her office into the hallway and that it was at this time that someone in the hallway advised that there had been a shooting and that people were running to the windows. [REDACTED] at this time returned to her window where she observed the presidential limousine leaving. She observed three people down on the sidewalk but she was not aware of who they were. [REDACTED] continued that she was not able to observe the assailant, however she did see him being placed into a Metropolitan Police cruiser by Secret Service and police. [REDACTED] continued to watch the crowds on the street until ambulances had taken the wounded away. She advised that she was not aware until she had turned her radio on that the President and his party was involved.

[REDACTED] advised that anytime the President visits the Washington Hilton there is always a large crowd waiting for him to depart, hoping to be able to see him or to shake his hand. She continued that it is very commonplace for people to be in the Press line.

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[REDACTED] provided the following information:

On March 30, 1981, [REDACTED] was standing outside the main front entrance of the Washington Hilton, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. (WDC), to the west side of the entrance, directly under the edge of the awning. [REDACTED] took two pictures of the Presidential cars in the drive through, and his attention was then directed to several people exiting the Hilton from the smaller front entrance west of the main entrance.

[REDACTED] heard five or six quick noises, which he at first thought were firecrackers. The noises were over in two or three seconds and [REDACTED] described them as "not very loud." [REDACTED] noticed that others were running and ducking so he hid behind a pillar. He then noticed two individuals lying on the ground.

[REDACTED] proceeded into the driveway and took pictures of a man he thought was James Brady, who was lying on the ground. [REDACTED] also photographed a second person lying on the ground, ambulances, and someone carrying a machine gun.

[REDACTED] never saw President Reagan. He did not notice anything unusual prior to the shooting and did not observe the subject during the course of events described above.

[REDACTED] provided one roll of exposed but undeveloped C-126, 20 exposure Kodacolor film to Special Agent [REDACTED] who marked the film for identification.

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[redacted] telephone number [redacted]
was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent and pro-
vided the following information:

[redacted]

Until the time she walked to the lobby lounge window that she, [redacted] heard three shots. The area where she was standing began to get very crowded when she heard someone say, "Look! Look!" [redacted] stated she then saw a man lying down and bleeding from the head. She then looked further and saw another man also lying down bleeding. [redacted] stated it was the first time she had ever seen someone lying shot and became very upset. Thinking they were dead, she began to scream. At this point a porter by the name of [redacted] pulled her away and sat her down.

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[redacted], telephone number [redacted]
furnished the following information:

On March 30, 1981, [redacted]

[redacted] then he
arrived, there was one ambulance on the scene.
He then found out that people had been
shot and that police officers and Secret Service Agents were
everywhere.

[redacted] advised that his home address is [redacted] telephone [redacted]

This interview was also witnessed by [redacted]
Metropolitan Police Department, [redacted]

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[redacted] telephone [redacted] was contacted at her place of employment.

[redacted] and voluntarily furnished the following information:

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[redacted] indicated that she had been interviewed on March 30, 1981, concerning the attempted assassination of the President, but related the following additional information. [redacted] stated that on Monday, March 30, 1981, she was standing in front of the Universal Building on T Street and had occasion to observe the activities surrounding the attempted assassination of President Ronald W. Reagan. [redacted] advised she was working at [redacted]

[redacted] and had taken her lunch hour from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m., so that she would be able to see the President when he left the Hilton Hotel.

[redacted] stated that she stood on the sidewalk in front of the Universal Building at approximately 2:05 p.m. waiting to see the President. While she waited in front of the Universal Building she observed a group of people, made up mostly of press people, standing on the sidewalk near the Hilton Hotel who were also waiting to observe the President. She initially thought that the group standing next to the Hilton Hotel entrance were standing in an area reserved for press people but she noticed that three or four other people in the group were not reporters, inasmuch as they had nothing in their hands. She then observed an individual walk from the Universal Building entrance across the street and stand behind the press people near the Hilton Hotel. She observed this person at approximately 2:25 p.m. and about the same time the motorcade engines were getting started. She described this individual as a white male, age 23 to 24, approximately 6', thin build, approximately 160 pounds, black wavy hair

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over cars, wearing a blue sweatshirt jacket with zipper front, hood, and red sleeves, and blue trousers. The thought occurred to her that she could also walk across the street and stand with the press people but she decided to stay where she was.

At approximately 2:30 p.m., she observed President Reagan walk from the small doorway of the Hilton Hotel and subsequently heard gun shots. She then observed an individual being restrained who was subsequently placed in a police car and driven away. When this person was placed in the police car, she noticed that he was wearing a khaki color or brownish-green jacket having a hood and she recalled that prior to the shooting, she observed an individual standing in the press group who had been wearing the same type jacket. She estimated that she first observed this individual with the press group at approximately 2:10 p.m.

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██████████ was displayed the following spread of photographs:

- 1) ██████████ Special Agent, United States Secret Service.
- 2) ██████████ Special Agent, FBI, Washington Field Office.
- 3) ██████████ Special Agent, FBI, Washington Field Office.
- 4) ██████████ Special Agent, FBI, Washington Field Office.
- 5) John Warnock Minckley, Jr.
- 6) ██████████ Special Agent, FBI, Washington Field Office.
- 7) ██████████ Clerk, FBI, Washington Field Office.

After viewing the above spread of photographs, [redacted] selected photograph #5, John Wernock Hinckley, Jr., and stated that the individual depicted in the photograph is the man she observed being restrained subsequent to the attempted assassination. [redacted] further advised that she was able to select his photograph inasmuch as she had observed photographs of Hinckley on television subsequent to the shooting. She advised that she believes she did see the man responsible for the shooting standing with the press people prior to the shooting, based on the similarity of clothing to that of the person arrested.

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[redacted] was interviewed
[redacted] residence telephone [redacted]
concerning her knowledge of the assault on the President of
the United States and she provided the following information: (b)(7)(C)(D)

[redacted] and she was standing in front of the building for about
45 minutes before the Presidential party emerged from the
Washington Hilton Hotel.

[redacted] stated that she observed President Reagan
and his party emerge from the T Street door of the hotel.
President Reagan was waving at the spectators when Watson
saw three flashes of light and heard 4 or 5 gunshots.

[redacted] then saw U. S. Secret Service Agents
force President Reagan into the presidential limosine and
several men force a white male with blond hair to the ground.

[redacted] added that she did not observe the man
actually fire the gun.

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[redacted] was interviewed at her office and provided the following information:

[redacted] advised that she was watching out her window on Monday afternoon, March 30, 1981, as President Reagan exited the Hilton Hotel. She advised that as the President walked out he turned to the right to wave at people across T Street. She stated she then heard six shots and saw the President go down.

She stated that after the limousine pulled away, she saw the three bodies on the ground and the commotion near the hotel wall. She did not at any time get a view of the assailant.

[redacted] provided the following as her home address:
[redacted]
[redacted]

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[redacted] was interviewed by Special Agents (SAs) [redacted] and [redacted] who identified themselves to [redacted] as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. At the outset of the interview [redacted] was advised by SA [redacted] that he was being interviewed because he is a witness to the attempted assassination of President Reagan on March 30, 1981, at the Washington Hilton Hotel.

[redacted] advised as follows:

[redacted], March 30, 1981.

[redacted] had a clear and unobstructed view of the Washington Hilton Hotel entrance on the T Street side. He had been looking out the window to watch the President's departure but sat down to do some paperwork when he heard gunshots ring out. He immediately stood up and looked out the window to see President Reagan being pushed into the limousine and three men down on the sidewalk apparently the victims of gunshot wounds. He then witnessed the police and Secret Service Agents arresting an individual he could not identify because of the number of people surrounding the assailant. Almost simultaneously he saw the Presidential limousine speed away and shortly thereafter a police cruiser transported the assailant out of the area. It was several minutes later before any ambulances arrived to transport the wounded.

Prior to the shooting he did not notice anything unusual out on the street with the exception that on previous visits to the Hilton Hotel by Presidents he had usually observed more uniformed officers from the Metropolitan Police Department on the street screening the crowd. By this, he stated that police officers would usually try to identify individuals who were up close to the Presidential limousine for whatever reason. He did not notice any police officers screening the crowd on March 30, 1981. He knows what John Hinckley looks like after seeing his picture in the paper and on television and is positive he did not see him in or around

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Street on March 30, 1961.

He could not offer any other information pertinent to this investigation but advised he would contact the Federal Bureau of Investigation should he recall any additional details.

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[redacted] voluntarily ✓
[redacted] telephone number [redacted]
appeared at the FBI Resident Agency in [redacted]
was advised of the identity of the interviewing agent
and was told the agent wished to interview him concerning
the attempted assassination of President RONALD REAGAN.
[redacted] subsequently volunteered the following information:

[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted] recalled that on the afternoon of
3/30/81 he attended President REAGAN'S address to the
Building Trades Conference. [redacted] noted that he was one
of the first individuals to leave the ballroom after the
President's address and noted he walked slowly towards
the side entrance of the hotel. [redacted] noted that prior
to exiting at the side entrance, he met [redacted] a

[redacted] who advised
him that someone had shot at President REAGAN. [redacted]
noted he then walked to the upper level of the hotel where
he was able to look down upon the scene of the shooting.

[redacted] reiterated that he did not actually see
the shooting and had no information concerning the attempted
assassination other than what is set forth above.

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SA [redacted]

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[redacted] currently staying in Washington Hilton Hotel, advised as follows:

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[redacted] returned to the hotel at approximately 2:30 to 3:00 p.m. on March 30, 1981. They saw the Presidential car, and [redacted] decided to remain outside to await the appearance of President Reagan.

[redacted] which overlooks the hotel's front driveway to await the appearance of the President. He stated that the President subsequently appeared, turned in the direction of the crowd, and waved. At that point, [redacted] heard five or six shots, but did not see the individual firing the weapon. He saw the President being pushed into a car, and then turned toward the direction of the shots. [redacted] saw only a "mob" of police officers and plainclothes agents completely surrounding and burying an individual. [redacted] advised that he never saw this individual, and is therefore unable to provide any descriptive data. He stated, however, that [redacted] told him that he was only a few feet from the assassin, standing next to Sam Donaldson, the news correspondent. [redacted] stated that he continued to watch the events below him for a short time, and then went downstairs to rest.

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██████████ could provide no additional information.

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The following description of ██████████ was obtained through observation and interview:

Race:
Sex:
Height:
Weight:
Hair:
Age:
Social Security Account
Number (SSAN):

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[redacted] telephone [redacted]

[redacted] was contacted at [redacted]

[redacted] where she is employed as the Deputy Manager, and voluntarily furnished the following information:

[redacted] She advised that at approximately 2:25 p.m. she was talking on her telephone and looking out the window at the same time in an attempt to get a look at President Ronald R. Reagan when he left the hotel. She was able to observe a group of people and media representatives and the President's motorcade near the Hilton Hotel. She subsequently observed the President walk out of the Hilton Hotel and approach his limousine when she heard approximately four gunshots which sounded like fireworks and observed flashes of light coming from the area where the crowd and the media people had gathered to see the President. She stated that she was not sure what caused the flashes of light and thought it might have been flash cameras. She observed a number of people ducking out of the way and then saw the President's limousine drive away from the hotel. She further observed three people lying on the sidewalk and saw activity against the hotel wall where a man in a dark suit was holding a gun, and she saw a man having sandy to light colored hair and a light colored jacket being put in a police car.

[redacted] stated that she was not able to see the person who fired the shots.

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[redacted] phone [redacted]
 home address [redacted]
 phone [redacted] was interviewed concerning the March 30, 1981, assassination attempt on President Reagan, and advised as follows:

[redacted] stated that she and fellow employee, [redacted] on March 30, 1981, at approximately 2:00 p.m., were returning from lunch and they observed the President arrive at the Washington Hilton. They went upstairs to their office and began watching the Hilton from their office window in order to see the President departing from the Hilton.

As they watched the activity, although not noting anything unusual, [redacted] stated that she commented to [redacted] on how vulnerable the President was at this location. She advised that she had noted two men on the roof of the Hilton.

[redacted] advised that as she observed the President coming out of the Hilton on the T Street, N.W. exit, she heard what she believed to be four shots and saw flashes coming from a crowd of people behind a rope barricade near the main entrance to the Hilton. [redacted] advised that she observed the President being shoved into a limousine by an individual and also observed a struggle against the wall of the Hilton where she had earlier observed the flashes. She added that people were lying on the sidewalk.

[redacted] stated that she further observed civilian and uniformed police take an individual with sandy brown hair to one police car, then another police car and take this individual away in the second police car.

[redacted] advised that ambulances began arriving shortly after this happened.

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[redacted] residence [redacted] was telephonically contacted and voluntarily furnished the following information:

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[redacted]

[redacted] she took her lunch period from 1:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M., in an attempt to see President Ronald W. Reagan, who was to give a speech at the Hilton Hotel. [redacted] stood in front of her office building, and at approximately 1:50 P.M. she observed the President arrive at the hotel and wave to people who had gathered in the area. [redacted] advised a number of people had gathered, including press people with cameras.

[redacted] subsequently returned to her work, and at approximately 2:15 to 2:20 P.M. she heard approximately four gunshots. She then heard her supervisor, [redacted] short that the President had been shot. [redacted] ran to the windows in the lounge area of her office and observed two people lying on the ground in front of the Hilton Hotel. She also observed a man holding an automatic weapon and other men struggling with an individual who they subsequently placed in a police car. She then observed ambulances arrive and take people away who had been hurt.

[redacted] stated that since the incident, she has seen photographs of John W. Hinckley, Jr. on both television and newspapers. She further advised that she does not recall having seen Hinckley prior to or during the attempted assassination.

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[REDACTED] Special Agent, Secret Service,
White House, Washington, D.C.
[REDACTED] provided the following item
(b)(7)(C); telephone number [REDACTED]
at approximately 1530 hours, just inside the Presidential
Entrance, Washington Hilton Hotel, 1919 Connecticut Avenue,
N.W., WDC:

One revolver, MOD RG-18, CAL. 22-LR, PG IMP.,
Miami, Florida, serial number L731332.

The revolver cylinder was opened by Special Agent
[REDACTED] When opened, it was revealed that all six
shells had been shot. Special Agent [REDACTED]
turned the revolver over to Special Agent [REDACTED]

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On March 30, 1981, SPECIAL AGENT (SA) [REDACTED] (b)(7)(C) RESPONDED TO AN ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT ON UNITED STATES PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN AT THE WASHINGTON HILTON HOTEL, 1919 CONNECTICUT AVENUE, WASHINGTON, D.C. (WDC).

UPON REACHING THE HOTEL, [REDACTED] MET WITH CRIME SCENE SA [REDACTED] WHO ASKED HIM TO DELIVER THE WEAPON ALLEGEDLY USED IN THE ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT. AT THIS TIME, SA [REDACTED] INITIALED AND DATED A CARD THAT WAS INCLUDED WITH THE WEAPON IN AN EVIDENCE ENVELOPE.

SA [REDACTED] AND SA [REDACTED] THEN DROVE FROM THE WASHINGTON HILTON HOTEL TO THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (FBI) HEADQUARTERS (HU) AT NINTH AND PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, WDC.

SA [REDACTED] CONTINUED POSSESSION OF THE WEAPON AND HAND-CARRIED IT TO SA [REDACTED] OF THE PHOTOGRAPHIC OPERATIONS AND FORENSIC EXAMINATION UNIT, SPECIAL PROJECTS SECTION LABORATORY, FBIHQ, WHERE THE WEAPON WAS CAREFULLY EXTRACTED FROM THE EVIDENCE ENVELOPE BY PHOTOGRAPHER [REDACTED] WEARING GLOVES, SO NOT TO DESTROY FINGERPRINTS AND PHOTOGRAPHED SEVERAL TIMES. AFTER (WHITE) PHOTOGRAPHED THE WEAPON, IT WAS RETURNED TO THE EVIDENCE ENVELOPE.

SA [REDACTED] THEN HAND CARRIED THE WEAPON TO SPECIALIST [REDACTED] LATENT FINGERPRINTS SECTION, FBIHQ. FINGERPRINT SPECIALIST [REDACTED] PERFORMED A LASER TEST FOR FINGERPRINTS AND SPECIALIST [REDACTED] PERFORMED A DUSTING TEST FOR FINGERPRINTS. SA [REDACTED] REMAINED WITH THE WEAPON DURING THE TESTS.

THEN THE WEAPON WAS GIVEN TO SA [REDACTED] OF THE FIREARMS UNIT, FBIHQ, FOR VARIOUS TESTS.

AT THIS TIME, SA [REDACTED] OBTAINED FROM THE EVIDENCE CONTROL CENTER, FBIHQ, A RECEIPT FOR THE WEAPON, SATISFYING THE CHAIN OF CUSTODY REQUIREMENTS, AND DEPARTED FBIHQ.

IDENTIFYING CHARACTERISTICS OF THE WEAPON ARE:

MODEL NO 34
 .22 CALIBER REVOLVER, LONG RIFLE (LR)
 R & INDUSTRIES
 SERIAL NUMBER: 173152

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[REDACTED] Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington Field Office, telephone number [REDACTED] recovered the following items after conducting a crime scene search in front of the Washington Hilton Hotel. (H)(C)

1. One black umbrella with brown handle found next to the curb.
2. One bandage box.
3. One flash cube.
4. One bag of debris taken from the gutter where the subject was wrestled to the ground.
5. One bag of debris taken from the gutter where the subject was wrestled to the ground.
6. One bag of debris taken from the gutter where the subject was wrestled to the ground.
7. One bag of debris taken from the gutter where the subject was wrestled to the ground.
8. One white pen.
9. One white bandage.
10. One cigarette butt.
11. One piece of cigarette package.
12. One dressing package.
13. One White House letter.
14. One "Convention" magazine dated Spring issue, 1981.

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15. One white letter.
16. One white button.
17. One White House letter.
18. Fluid resembling blood found in gutter from where shots were fired.
19. One white button.
20. One cigar stub.
21. One white piece of paper.
22. One white piece of paper, possibly envelope.
23. One white piece of paper and cigarette butt.
24. One cigarette butt.
25. One grey film cap.
26. One match.
27. Four matches and one cigarette butt.
28. One sponge package.
29. One matchbook, one cigarette butt, one plastic wrapper, and one piece of gauze. (H)(C)

SA [REDACTED] handcarried these items in 29 plastic bags to the FBI laboratory, FBI headquarters, Washington, D.C. FBI laboratory took custody of said items.

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On March 30, 1981, at approximately 5:30 p.m., Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] conducted a search for physical evidence along the surface of the western third of the semi-circle driveway to the 1 Street, N.W., terrace level entrance to the Washington Hilton Hotel. (b)(7)(C)

Each foreign object found was placed in a plastic bag without further efforts to examine the object. Each bag was labeled for identification by inserting a 3"x5" card dated and initialed "3/30/81 - [REDACTED]". Each card was separately numbered. A total of six (6) objects were so collected.

At the conclusion of the search of the driveway, other participating agents placed their collections in a large plastic bag which was then sealed with evidence tape and marked "3/30/81."

The sealed bag was personally delivered to the FBI Laboratory by SA [REDACTED].

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Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation Laboratory Division, Washington, D.C., furnished ten plastic bags containing evidence further described as follows:

1. Glass from window, Universal Building.
2. Swab from outside of window, Universal Building.
3. Sweepings from floor inside window, Universal Building.
4. Sweepings from outside lobby, Universal Building.
5. Swab from outside of window.
6. Fragments outside downstairs.
7. Fragments from outside window, Universal Building.
8. Lead fragment removed from drupe.
9. Lead fragment found below outside window, Universal Building.
10. Lead fragment from inside floor sweeping, Universal Building.

These ten plastic bags were furnished to SA [redacted] by SA [redacted] on March 30, 1981, at approximately 1:22 P.M. SA [redacted] then transported these items to the FBI Laboratory, Evidence Control Center, where they were retained. These items were turned over to [redacted] of the Evidence Control Center at approximately 7:00 P.M. on that same date.

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On March 31, 1981, Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] of the FBI Laboratory examined a black Lincoln, VIN F0Y82K5511687, bearing District of Columbia license 226-200. The vehicle was parked at 1319 L Street N.W. Washington, D.C. The following items were removed from this vehicle and provided to the FBI Laboratory for examination:

- Residue from the right rear window and door areas
- A section of the right rear quarter panel bearing possible bullet impact damage
- Swabs of stains from the rear seat, back rest and floor
- The rubber window seal from the right rear window
- The right rear window bearing possible bullet impact damage

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